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DEMANDS INVESTIGATION OF PANAMA CANAL SCANDAL

"New York World" Makes Startling Charges—Says That Roosevelt's Public Letter Is Reeking With Misstatements---Dubious Dealings.

New York, Dec. 8.—The New York World, to which Delavan Smith, editor of the Indianapolis News, referred in his reply to President Roosevelt's attack upon him as the authority for the articles on the Panama canal which appeared in his paper, and called forth the president's letter, says to-day:

"In view of President Roosevelt's deliberate misstatement of fact in his scandalous personal attack upon Mr. Delavan Smith, editor of the Indianapolis News, the World calls upon the congress of the United States to make immediately a full and impartial investigation of the entire Panama canal scandal. The investigation of 1906 by the senate committee of the Inter-Oceanic canals was blocked by the refusal of Wm. Nelson Cromwell to answer the most pertinent questions of Senator Morgan, of Alabama. Since that time nothing has been done, because after Senator Morgan's death there was no successor to carry on his great work of revealing the truth about Panama corporations.

"The Indianapolis News, said in the editorial for which Mr. Roosevelt assails Mr. Smith, that it had been charged that the United States bought from American citizens $40,000,000 worth of property that cost those citizens only $12,000,000. There is no doubt that the government paid $40,000,000 for the property, but who got the money?

"President Roosevelt's reply to this most proper question is for the most part a string of abusive defamatory epithets. But he also makes the following statements as truthful information to the American people:

"'The United States did not pay a cent of the $40,000,000 to any American citizen. The government paid this $40,000,000 direct to the French government, getting the receipts of the liquidator appointed by the French government to receive the same.

"'The United States government has not the slightest knowledge as to the particular individuals, among whom the French government distributed the same. So far as I know there was no syndicate. There certainly was no syndicate in the United States that to my knowledge had any doings with the government directly or indirectly.'

"To the best of the World's knowledge and belief all of these statements made by Mr. Roosevelt, and quoted above, are untrue, and Mr. Roosevelt must have known they were untrue when he made them. As to the details of distribution of the Panama loot, only one man knows it all, and that man is Wm. Nelson Cromwell. The two men who were most in Mr. Cromwell's confidence are Theodore Roosevelt, president of the United States, and Elihu Root, former secretary of war, and now secretary of state. It was they who aided Mr. Cromwell in consummating the Panama revolution, arranged the terms of the purchase of the Panama canal; made the agreement to pay $40,000,000 for the canal properties, and an additional $10,000,000 for a manufactured Panama republic, every penny of both of which sums was paid by cheque on the United States treasury to J. P. Morgan & Co., not to the French government, as Mr. Roosevelt says, but to J. P. Morgan & Co.

"That national query of the Indianapolis News as to who got the money was based on the World's historical summary of Mr. Cromwell's connection with the Panama. The inquiry was originally the World's, and the World accepts Mr. Roosevelt's challenge. If congress can have all the documents in the case, as Mr. Roosevelt says, let congress make a complete investigation of the Panama canal affair, and in particular of W. N. Cromwell's relation with the French company with Panama, and with the government of the United States. Let congress officially answer this question; 'Who got the money?'

"The French company, organized by Ferdinand De Lesseps in 1879, failed in 1889, years before Mr. Cromwell's relations with President Roosevelt began. As Mr. Cromwell testified before the senate committee on February 26th, 1906, 'we never had any connection with the so-called De Lesseps Co., neither did the United States government conduct negotiations with the old French Panama Canal Company.'

"What Mr. Cromwell did represent was the new Panama Canal Company, the American Pan-Canal Company and the $5,000,000 syndicate which was formed to finance the new companies. After Mr. Cromwell had testified, 'I do not recall any contract,' Senator Morgan produced a contract reading, 'Mr. Wm. Nelson Cromwell is exclusively empowered under the formal agreement with the board of directors of the Companie Neuvelle Du Canal De Pahama (new Panama canal company), of France, to effect, with an American syndicate, the Americanization of the Panama Canal Company on the following basis':

"The basis on which Mr. Cromwell was exclusively empowered in this contract was that an American Panama Company, with a capitalization of $60,000,000, preferred, and $40,000,000, common stock, should be organized to take over the Panama Canal concessions and all other property belonging to the new French Panama Canal Company which had bought the same from the old De Lesseps Company. This company was incorporated in New Jersey, with dummy directors, the Inter-Oceanic Canal Co.

"Senator Morgan unearthed a copy of the $5,000,000 agreement which provided that the subscribers should contract with Wm. Nelson Cromwell to pay in $5,000,000, and to take their several allotments in the enterprise.

"Five million dollars was more than ample to pay the majority of the old Panama stock. As the World said on October 25th 'Mr. Cromwell applied to the canal situation the 'methods of American high finance by which a syndicate takes over the property of a bankrupt concern, then created a holding company and a recapitalization keeping the majority control in a syndicate trusteeship.'

"'Following that,' to quote from Mr. Cromwell's testimony, 'in May, 1904, I, representing the new Panama Canal, and Judges Day and Russell representing Attorney General Knox, consummated the transfer and sale to the United States.'

"Mr. Roosevelt says: 'The government paid this $40,000,000 direct to the French government.'

"Mr. Cromwell testified that the United States paid the money to J. P. Morgan & Co.

"Mr. Roosevelt says the French government distributed the sum.

"Mr. Cromwell testified as to how he distributed it.

"Mr. Roosevelt talks of getting the receipt of the liquidator appointed by the French government to receive the same.

"Mr. Cromwell testified: 'Of the $40,000,000 thus paid by the United States government, $25,000,000 was paid to the liquidator of the old Panama Canal Company, under, and in pursuance of, an agreement entered into between the liquidator and the new company. Of the balance of $15,000,000 paid to the new Panama Canal Company, $12,000,000 has already been distributed among its stockholders and the remainder is now being held awaiting final distribution and payment.'

"What follows is further eloquent testimony taken by the senate committee:

"Senator Taliaferro—There is $3,000,000.

"Mr. Cromwell—$3,000,000. Yes sir.

"Senator Taliferro—Who holds that money?

"Mr. Cromwell—The New Panama Canal in its treasury.

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MINISTERS WIN IN SASKATCHEWAN

(Special to the Times.)

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 8.—The Saskatchewan provincial bye-elections resulted in the return of the Hon. J. A. Calder, in Saltcoats, and the Hon. W. R. Motherwell, in Humboldt, by large majorities. Their opponents will probably lose their deposits.

UNITED EFFORT TO SPREAD GOSPEL

Federated Council of Churches of Christian America in Session.

Philadelphia, Dec. 8.—After a most successful meeting, during which many subjects of vital importance to the church were discussed and a long step forward was made in the movement to bring all Protestant denominations together for the united effort in spreading the gospel, the federal council of the churches of Christian America will adjourn to-day to meet again in 1912.

The attendance has been gratifying to the leaders in the movement. Every one of the thirty-three denominations identified with the federal council are sending delegates to its sessions.

The two subjects on the programme for the closing session were "Family Life," which will come before the council in the form of a paper prepared by Bishop Doane, of Albany, and "International Relations" in a report prepared by Henry Wade Rogers, dean of the law department of Yale University.

PROFITS MADE BY STANDARD OIL

How Octopus Forced Smaller Dealers From Field—Earnings in Indiana.

New York, Dec. 8.—Some profits of the Standard Oil Company's business in various parts of the country became part of the court record in the federal suit to dissolve the Standard Company yesterday, when John D. Archbold resumed the stand for a brief examination, and Henry Tilford, president of the Standard Oil Company, of California, testified at some length as a witness for the defence.

The government inquisitor, on figures submitted, showed that the Continental Oil Company, a Standard subsidiary in the middle west, made profits of 115 per cent. on its capitalization of $300,000, and that the Standard Company of Indiana on a capatilization of $1,000,000 earned about $55,000,000 between 1899 and 1906. Counsel for the company declared that the actual assets of the company were greater than the capitalization, as the company had turned back into the property large sums from earnings.

Through Mr. Tilford, the counsel for the government, sought to bring out that in California and other states of the Far West, the Standard had made contracts with its competitors whereby the Standard Oil obtained all the crude oil supply and thereby enjoyed the refining field to itself. Mr. Tilford said he had little knowledge of these contracts. Referring to the oil trade cutting wars in Colorado and in the Far West, Mr. Tilford said that the Standard never cut prices to undersell its competitors, but simply lowered rates to meet the reduction of its rivals.

Mr. Tilford's examination will likely be concluded to-day, and either Wm. Rockefeller or Frank S. Moffatt, president of the Standard Oil Company of Indiana, will be called to testify.

Mr. Archbold, in his evidence, said that the establishment of marketing stations to compete with the rivals of the Standard naturally forced the small dealers and jobbers actually from the field.

Some correspondence between oil producers and the Pennsylvania geological survey, showing the apparent limitations of crude oil production possibilities in the early days, was spread on the record, with the evident design of showing the hazards of the business testified to by Mr. Rockefeller and Mr. Archbold.

Mr. Archbold said the Standard Oil Company of Indiana was originally capitalized for $1,000,000, and had borrowed large sums of money from other companies, which it should pay off out of earnings. Mr. Kellogg asked if the Standard Oil of Indiana had made earnings of over $55,000,000 between the years 1899 and 1906 on a $1,000,000 capitalization. Mr. Archbold said there had been many million dollars invested in the company, which was only nominally capitalized.

Counsel for the defence said that it had been found impossible to get the London books of the Anglo-American company, but efforts would be made to get a transcript of the James McDonald account of $2,000,000.

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NORTHCOTE IN WASHINGTON.

Washington, Dec. 8.—The guests of President and Mrs. Roosevelt at luncheon yesterday included Lord Northcote and Lady Northcote and British Ambassador Bryce.

HONDURAN GOVERNOR ON WAY TO VANCOUVER

Conference With Immigration Department on Question of Removing Hindus.

(Special to the Times).

Ottawa, Dec. 8.—Col. Swayne, governor of British Honduras, left this afternoon for Vancouver where he will see what can be done to further the project of the transportation of the Hindus to Honduras. Colonel Swayne had a long conference with the government dealing with the Hindus, and may be able to induce the latter to adopt a more reasonable frame of mind. He was in conference with the immigration department here yesterday.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT,

Whose last message was communicated to Congress immediately after the convening of that body at noon to-day.

KAISER FEELS HIS LOSS OF PRESTIGE

Said to Be Suffering From Depression—Official Audiences Are Resumed.

Potsdam, Dec. 8.—The Emperor, who has been living in seclusion since November 17th, yesterday resumed audiences with reference to official business, the finance minister, Baron Von Rheinbaben, being among those received.

The Emperor is described as being greatly depressed by recent events, and not disposed to talk even to members of his household, as he feels deeply his loss of prestige abroad and among his own people.

The Emperor feels grieved that his old ministers, as well as Chancellor Von Buelow, should desire to limit his freedom of speech in his after-dinner conversations, even though with foreigners.

The Empress has been his constant companion and counsellor during the last few weeks.

RECORD BREAKING IN SIX-DAY CYCLE RACE

Twelve of Sixteen Teams Still Left in—662 Miles Covered.

New York, Dec. 8.—With twelve teams still in the race the bicyclists who started just after midnight on Monday morning on the six days' grind at Madison Square Gardens were whirling along to-day well in advance of the best previous record for the distance. At the end of the thirty-second hour the eight leading teams had covered 662 miles, 9 laps, the three in second position were only one lap behind the leaders, and Faber and Lafourcade were bringing up the rear with 657 miles, 5 laps, to their credit.

Four of the 16 teams which started in the race have dropped out of the contest.

GERMANY STILL FAVORS OPEN DOOR IN CHINA

Berlin, Dec. 8.—Chancellor Von Buelow, during the budget debate in the Reichstag yesterday, referring to the American-Japanese agreement, said:

"The new arrangement is thoroughly in harmony with the principles of Germany's policy in the Far East, the principles of the open door, economically, the preservation of the status quo territorially, and the integrity and independence of the Chinese empire. We have no occasion to regard the agreement otherwise than sympathetically."

Answering a complaint that Germany was left out of the American-Japanese agreement, the chancellor called attention to the fact that Germany already had a precisely similar arrangement with Japan through an exchange of notes. He explicitly accepted the principles of the Anglo-German agreement of 1900, which guarantees the maintenance of the "open door" and the territorial status quo.

TWO DEAD IN C. P. R. COLLISION

(Special to the Times).

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 8.—In a collision in the C. P. R. yards at Fort William last night between a yard engine and a freight train, E. R. Noble, engineer, and A. Horseley, fireman, were killed.

COURTMARTIAL OF U. S. LIEUTENANT

Revenue Cutter Officer Charged With Drunkenness and Unbecoming Conduct.

(Special to the Times.)

Port Townsend, Wash., Dec. 8.—The court-martial of Lieut. Hay, of the revenue cutter service, commenced yesterday. The charges are preferred by Capt. Henderson.

Lieut. Hay is charged with drunkenness and conduct unbecoming an officer, and it is said that Capt. Henderson made a good witness for the prosecution, which is conducted by Lieut. Chalker. Capt. Newton, of the coast artillery, is in charge of the defence.

FIRE IN CITY HALL.

Belleville, Ont., Dec. 8.—The city hall last evening had a narrow escape from destruction by fire. The blaze originated from a furnace and spread to the city engineer's and tax collector's offices before it was extinguished. The loss amounted to a few hundred dollars and is covered by insurance.

MYSTERIOUS DEATH OF INSURANCE MAN

F. D. Hirschberg May Have Been Murdered or Committed Suicide.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 8.—F. D. Hirschberg, a prominent insurance man and club man, director of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition Company, was shot and killed at his home at 2818 Lindell Boulevard, early this morning. He died 20 minutes after he was shot.

Whether his death was the result of murder, or suicide has not been determined. Members of the family aver that he was shot by a burglar. Police, who are investigating the case declare, however, that there is no evidence of the presence of intruders in the Hirschberg home.

A trail of bloodstains on the stairway leading from the reception hall on the first floor, indicate that Mr. Hirschberg was shot at the foot of the stairs and then turned and walked back to his bedroom on the second floor. From there he staggered into his wife's room. Mrs. Hirschberg says she woke just in time to see him sink to the floor unconscious. Mrs. Hirschberg had her husband carried back to his bedroom. He died soon afterwards, without making any statement.

As far as the police can learn no member of the household was on the lower floor at the time of the shooting. Mrs. Hirschberg is deaf and therefore did not hear the report of the revolver.

It was largely through the instrumentality of Mr. Hirschberg that the site of the arch-episcopal residence adjoining the Hirschberg home was purchased. He was Archbishop Glennon's closest personal friend among the laity. A descendant of the Chauvin Papin and Choteau families, and having for wife a daughter of the late General D. M. Frost, the social position of Mr. Hirschberg was high. There are no children.

Mr. Hirschberg was 54 years of age, and for many years had been a leader in the insurance business, having introduced in America the system of insuring employers against accidents to their workmen. He was chairman of the committe that had charge of the entertainment of all distinguished guests who came to St. Louis at the time of the World's Fair.

U. S. COUNTRY LIFE.

Roosevelt Commissioners Visit Apple Show at Spokane.

Spokane, Dec. 8.—Dr. Liberty H. Bailey, chairman of the commission on country life, appointed by President Roosevelt, and Henry Wallace, Iowa; Kenyon L. Butterfield, Massachusetts; Charles D. Barrett, Georgia, and W. A. Beard, California, met hundreds of farmers, ranchers and orchardists from various parts of the Pacific northwest at their sessions in Spokane. It is believed much benefit will result from the discussions of farm conditions. The commissioners were entertained by the chamber of commerce and the local committee of the 17th national irrigation congress, which will meet in Spokane September 27th to October 2nd next year.

They also visited the national apple show, where, Dr. Bailey declared, that the exhibition is without an equal, adding that it will do more than anything else to encourage the apple industry all over the country.

$1,000 IN LOOT.

Portland, Ore., Dec. 8.—The East Side bank was held up yesterday and robbed of $85,000.

ROOSEVELT'S LAST MESSAGE TO CONGRESS

Urges Many Needed Reforms in American Affairs---Eight Dreadnoughts Should Be Constructed---Necessities of Shipping Industry.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 8.—In his annual message to Congress delivered to-day, President Roosevelt deals with numerous subjects, among them being corporations, labor, the courts and injunctions, the conservation of natural resources, inland waterways, interstate fisheries, foreign affairs, ocean mail lines, Hawaii, the Philippines, Cuba, the Army and the Navy. The message is in part as follows:

Monetary Situation.

"The financial standing of the nation at the present time is excellent and the financial management of the nation's interests by the government during the last seven years has shown the most satisfactory results. But our currency system is imperilled and it is earnestly to be hoped that the currency commission will be able to propose a thoroughly good system which will do away with the existing defects.

Corporations.

"As regards the great corporations engaged in interstate business, and especially the railroads, I can only repeat what I have already again and again said in my message to Congress. I believe that under the interstate clause of the constitution the United States has complete and paramount right to control all agencies of interstate commerce, and I believe that the national government can only endorse this right with wisdom and effectiveness so as both to secure justice from, and to do justice to, the great corporations which are the most important factors in business.

"I believe that it is worse than folly to attempt to prohibit all combinations as is done by the Sherman Anti-Trust Law, because such a law can be enforced only imperfectly and unequally. I strongly advocate that instead of an unwise effort to prohibit all combinations, there shall be substituted a law which shall expressly point out combinations which are in the interest of the public, but shall at the same time give to some agency of the national government full power to control and exercise supervision over them.

"One of the chief features of this control should be securing entire publicity in all matters which the public has a right to know, and furthermore the power, not by judicial but by executive act, to prevent or put a stop to every form of improper favoritism or other wrong doing. The railways of the country should be put completely under the interstate commerce commission and removed from the domain of the anti-trust law. The power of the commission should be made so thorough going that it can exercise complete supervision and control over the issue of securities, as well as over the raising and lowering of rates. With regard to rates, at least the power should be summary. The power to investigate the financial operations and accounts of the railways has been one of the most valuable features in recent legislation. Power to make combinations and traffic agreements should be explicitly conferred upon the railroads, the permission of the commission being first gained and the combination of agreement being published in all its details.

"In the interests of the public, the representatives of the public, however, should have complete power to see that the roads do their duty by the public and as a matter of course this power should also be exercised so as to see that no injustice is done to the railroads. The shareholders, the employers, and the shippers, all have interests that must be guarded. It is to the interests of all of them that no swindling stock speculation should be allowed and that there should be no improper issuance of securities. The guiding intelligences necessary for the successful building and successful management of railroads should receive ample remuneration but no man should be allowed to make money in connection with railroads out of fraudulent over-capitalization and kindred stock gambling performances; there must be no defrauding of investors, oppression of the farmers, or of business men who ship freight or callous disregard of the rights and needs of the employees.

In addition to this, the interests of the shareholders of the employers and of the shippers should all be guarded against one another. To give any one of them undue and improper consideration is to do injustice to the others. Rates must be made as low as is compatible with giving proper returns to all the employees of railroads, from the highest to the lowest, and proper returns to the shareholders; but they must not, for instance, be reduced in such fashion as to necessitate a cut in the wages of employees, or the abolition of the proper and legitimate profits of honest shareholders. Telegraph and telephone companies engaged in interstate business should be put under the jurisdiction of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

It is very earnestly wished that our people, through their representatives, should act in this matter. It is hard to say whether most damage to the country at large would come from the entire failure on the part of the public to supervise and control the actions of the great corporations, or from the exercise of the necessary governmental power in a way which would do injustice and wrong to the corporations. I believe that the more farsighted corporations are themselves beginning to recognize the unwisdom of the violent hostility they have displayed during the last few years to the regulation and control by the national government of combines engaged in an interstate business. The truth is that we, who believe in this movement of asserting and exercising a genuine control in the public interest over these great corporations, have to contend against two sets of enemies, who, though nominally opposed to one anotherother, are really allies in preventing a proper solution of the problem.

There are first, the big corporation men and the extreme individualists among business men who genuinely believe in utterly unregulated business, that is, in the reign of plutocracy; and second, the men who, being blind to economic movements of the day believe in a movement of repression rather than of regulation of corporations and who denounce both the power of the railroads and the exercise of the federal power which alone can really control the railroads. We do not object to the concentration of the wealth of an administration but we do believe in the distribution of the wealth in profits to the real owners, and in securing to the public the full benefit of the concentrated administration.

We believe that with concentration in administration there can come both the advantage of a larger ownership and of a more equitable distribution of profits and at the same time a better service to the commonwealth. We believe that the administration should be for the benefit of the many and that greed and rascality practiced on a large scale should be punished as relentlessly as if practiced on a small scale.

We do not for a moment believe that the problem will be solved in any short and easy method. The solution will come only by pressing various concurrent remedies. Some of these remedies must lie outside the domain of all government. But there is legislation which the federal government alone can enact, and which is absolutely vital in order to secure the attainment on our purpose. Many laws are needed. There should be regulation by the national government of the great

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PUBLIC DEMAND IN STEINHEIL CASE

"Is There One Law for the Great and Another for the Lowly?"

Paris, Dec. 8.—The interpellations regarding the Steinheil case, which were to have been made in the Chamber of Deputies yesterday by M. Berry, were postponed at the request of Minister of Justice Briand, who pointed out that the judicial machinery of the government was now in operation, and that the executive branch had no right to interfere. M. Berry declared that the public was entitled to know the facts of this strange case, in which so many innocent people had been arrested and then released, and on which one magistrate had been replaced by another.

"The public demands to know," said M. Berry, "whether there is one sort of justice for the great and those who have influence in high government circles, and another sort for the meek and simple."

CANADIAN SOVEREIGNS.

Ottawa Mint to Coin Gold From British Dies.

Montreal, Dec. 8.—Lt.-Col. Rogers, of Ottawa, who was in the city yesterday, made the interesting announcement that the Canadian mint would begin the coinage of gold this week. As the Canadian dies are not ready, the permission of the British government has been secured to use the British dies until the end of the year, when the Canadian will be ready.

Each of the Canadian minted coins will have a letter "C" engraved beneath the head of the King. Only about 250 will be minted so that they will be valuable from a numismatic point of view.

TOO LATE TO PROTEST.

Toronto, Dec. 8.—It transpired yesterday that a belated petition against Dr. Rankin, Liberal, in North Perth, reached the office of the registrar at 4 o'clock on Saturday afternoon. The legal time for filing petitions expired at 1 o'clock Saturday, so that no action can now be taken against Dr. Rankin.

CHANGING FISCAL YEAR.

Toronto, Dec. 8.—It is stated in Ontario government circles that arrangements have been completed to have the fiscal year terminate on October 31st instead of December 31st as at present. Two months will give the government officials sufficient time to prepare the public accounts and estimates and have the same ready to lay before the legislature when it is called earlier in the year, instead of having, as at present, to waste several weeks waiting for public accounts and estimates.

"REFINEMENT OF CRUELTY."

New York, Dec. 8.—Officials of the state department of prisons are interested in the report from Trenton, N. J., that efforts are to be made by county and prison physicians to revive the victim of the next electrocution at the state prison there, for the purpose of proving or disproving the theory that has been expounded that electrocution only stuns the victims, who are later killed by the surgeon's knife during the autopsy.

CANADIAN BANK OF COMMERCE.

Toronto, Dec. 8.—The statement of the Canadian Bank of Commerce for the year ending November 30th shows net profits of $1,627,332.65, compared with $1,752,349.67 last year.

ALBERTA EXPECTS BIG SURPLUS NEXT YEAR

Movement of Homeseekers During Fall Months Showed Large Increase.

Calgary, Dec. 8.—The movement of homeseekers from the United States to Southern Alberta during the months of October and November has shown an astonishing increase over the same months of 1907. The entries for homesteads at the Calgary office alone show an increase of 205 over 1907, and the sale of land by the C. P. R. in their irrigation block, east of Calgary, have run near the million dollar mark during the past two months, these sales being made in small areas to actual settlers.

Indications point to a marked movement of homeseekers during the winter months, rendered possible by the mild winter climate of Southern Alberta, and there is little doubt that the movement of people to this part of western Canada during 1909 is going to assume vast proportions and tax the railway lines to handle.

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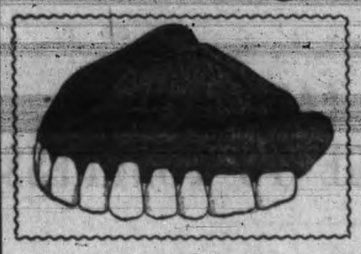

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MARMALADE (Crosse & Blackwell's), 2-lb tin 25c
PRESERVED GINGER, quart jar 50c
SOUPS (Davie's Oxtail, Tomato, etc.), per tin 10c
VINEGAR (Rowat's), quart bottle 15c
SULTANA RAISINS, per lb .. 10c
COCOANUT (Shredded), per lb. 20c
RAISINS (Seeded, Victoria Cross Brand), 16-oz. pkt ... 10c
CURRANTS (Cleaned), 3 lbs. for 25c
MIXED PEEL (English), per lb. 15c
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SHELLED ALMONDS, per lb. 40c
MIXED NUTS (new), per lb. 20c
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—Superintendent Hussey has received a telegram from Alex Turnbull, gaoler of the provincial gaol at New Westminster, informing him that the man who attacked Warden Bremner with a piece of glass yesterday morning is John Partella. Partella is under sentence of death to take place December 18th. Warden Bremner was somewhat seriously wounded but his recovery is hoped for.

—This evening a splendid programme is to be given in the Methodist church, Victoria West. Rev. S. J. Thompson, pastor of the Centennial church, is to give a lecture on Ireland and the Irish. The meeting will be presided over by R. S. Day and a musical programme will be given including a number of Irish selections.

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(Continued from page 1.)

To-Day's Session.

New York, Dec. 8.—The examination of H. M. Tilford, president of the Standard Oil Company of California, was taken up to-day where it was left off last night in the hearing of the government suit for the dissolution of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey. The early session to-day was remarkable, for nothing so much as the slimness of the audience which from being too large for the examination room when John D. Rockefeller was testifying, and had shown no appreciable change when Jonn D. Archbold, vice-president of the Standard Oil Company, followed the president on the stand, steadily began to dwindle away thereafter until to-day it was next to nothing.

Mr. Tilford had taken home with him last night a copy of the contract between the Union Oil Company and the Pacific Coast Oil Company, which contract Mr. Kellogg, the government's counsel, had insisted provided for a purchase of 150,000 barrels of oil monthly from the Union by the Pacific Coast Oil Company.

The witness told Mr. Kellogg to-day that he had examined the copy, but could not swear it was correct, because he had never seen the original, which had been destroyed in the fire following the San Francisco earthquake. But he pointed out the copy given to him last night provided for the purchase of the given quantity of oil every three months, and not every month, as Mr. Kellogg had stated the original did. On a reperusal of the document Mr. Kellogg admited his mistake.

Mr. Tilford testified that the total production of crude oil in California in 1895 was 40,000,000 barrels, of which amount the Standard produced 9,000,000 barrels.

Mr. Kellogg asked if the Standard Oil Company of California did not sell 96 per cent. of all their refined oil consumed in the Pacific coast states, but the witness did not think the percentage was quite so high.

John G. Wilburn, council for the Standard Oil Company, said to-day that he does not expect to call upon Wm. Rockefeller or James A. Moffatt to testify for the company, although they had been subpoenaed.

CONSERVATIVE MEMBERS GATHER IN CITY

Conference is Being Held With Members of Local Government.

To-day a conference of the Conservative leaders in the province is being held in Victoria, A. S. Goodeve, member-elect for Kootenay; Martin Burrill, who won the Yale-Cariboo seat; George H. Cowan, of Vancouver, and G. H. Barnard, of Victoria, are all in the city and this morning conferred with Premier McBride and members of the government on questions affecting the party, the aim being that there may be no clashing of interests, but that the policy advocated at Ottawa by the Conservative members elected from British Columbia may be in line with the stand taken by the local government.

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CASTRO'S REALM READY TO REPEL INVASION

Gunboats Purchased in Germany—Crisis in South American Republic.

Caracas, Venezuela, via Wilhelmstadt, Curacao, Dec. 8.—Two recent events, the departure of President Castro for Europe, and the naval "demonstration" this week along the Venezuelan coast by three Dutch warships, have wrought in Venezuela a state of affairs that may have serious consequences. The government has resolved to fire on the first Dutch warship that commits an unfriendly act, and the beginning of what may develop into a stronger movement against President Castro has been noticed.

The Dutch warships displayed their activity on Wednesday and Thursday. They swept along the coast from Puerto Cabello to La Guayra and appeared off Puerto Cabello, La Guayra and La Vela D'Coro. As soon as the first news of this "demonstration" was received in Caracas the minister of war hurried down to La Guayra, and took personal command of the government forces there. Acting President Vicente Gomez called a cabinet meeting to consider the crisis resulting from the measures taken by the government of the Netherlands, and while the opinion of the ministers was divided, a resolution to fire at the first unfriendly act was adopted. It was learned here to-day that President Castro recently closed negotiations for the purchase in Germany of three gunboats.

Movements of Warships.

Wilhelmstadt, Curacao, Dec. 8.—The Dutch battleship Jacob Van Heemskerk, which arrived here on December 4th, after making a naval demonstration with two other Dutch warships off the Venezuelan coast, left here last night to continue cruising along the coast of Venezuela. The Friesland is now anchored in Maracaibo bay in sight of the fortress of San Carlos. This is the Venezuelan stronghold that was bombarded by German cruisers in 1903, during the blockade of Venezuelan ports by Great Britain, Germany and Italy. The location of all the Venezuelan forts along the Maracaibo channel have been observed and mapped by the Dutch warships.

STANDS FAITHFUL TO HER ALLY, AUSTRIA

Buelow Defines Germany's Attitude in the Balkan Crisis.

Berlin, Dec. 8.—In the Reichstag yesterday Chancellor von Buelow referred to Germany's attitude in the Balkan crisis. He said: "It is our wish to see Turkey politically and economically strong, but we never wanted Turkish territory from the fact that its geographical situation is not suitable. Turkey really lost nothing through the annexation of Bosnia and Herzegovina by Austro-Hungary. Neither did the independence of Bulgaria mean the loss of any territory.

"From the very beginning two points were to me clear for the exercise of German diplomacy. First we must leave the lead in southeastern Europe and politics to other powers; and second, we must never hesitate for a moment to stand faithfully by our ally, Austria-Hungary. (Cheers.) We were informed of Austria's intentions to annex Bosnia and Herzegovina about the same time that Russia and Italy received similar notification."

Prince von Buelow expressed the hope that the national conference would have a soothing effect.

TRAGEDY SUCCEEDS TRAGEDY.

Trinidad, Colo., Dec. 8.—Maggie Garcia, 18 years old, and Francisco Martinez, who was suspected of having murdered four members of the Garcia family last week, were found dead yesterday twenty miles west of the Garcia ranch in the extreme eastern part of the Las Animas county. Both had been shot. Apparently Martinez murdered the girl and then committed suicide.

LEAGUE OF EMPIRE.

London, Dec. 8.—At the annual meeting to-day of the League of Empire, Sir Frederick Pollock reported that the organization was flourishing, that the scheme of the interchange of teachers was in operation and that the imperial text book would soon be ready.

Dr. G. R. Parkin urged the unification of bodies with imperialistic aims.

SIR WILFRID SAFE IN OTTAWA.

London, Dec. 8.—The London Globe published a Central News cablegram from New York that Sir Wilfrid Laurier was in a train wreck at St. Vincent, Minn. The news caused much anxiety among Sir Wilfrid's friends here who supposed the premier was in the neighborhood of Florida. Sir Wilfrid Laurier has not been in the vicinity of St. Vincent, Minn. He is at home in Ottawa.

INSURANCE AFFAIRS.

Albany, N. Y., Dec. 8.—Governor Hughes has sent a reply to the resolution recently adopted by the chamber of commerce of New York city asking for the appointment of a commission of five citizens to investigate the conditions surrounding the life insurance companies of New York and report to the incoming legislature not later than January 15th, on which date, he says, it does not seem advisable to appoint such a commission at the present time, but he will gladly give consideration to any particular amendment of the law that may be suggested.

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DEAD MAN AT THROTTLE OF SPEEDING TRAIN

Oriental Limited Arrives in Minneapolis in Dramatic Fashion.

Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 8.—The Oriental Limited, the crack train on the Great Northern, came careening into the city limits of Minneapolis late yesterday afternoon, its throttle clutch in the hand of a dead engineer.

Past speed warning signs, gates and semaphores it rushed along, while homecoming passengers from the West began to don their fur coats and waited expectantly for the moment that would land them among waiting friends, all unconscious of their danger.

Half a mile outside the station the fireman, appalled at the tremendous speed the locomotive was keeping up, spoke to the engineer, when he turned and saw the man's face covered with blood. With one spring he leaped across the cab, hauled back the throttle, threw on the air brakes, and brought the string of Pullmans to a standstill.

George P. Irving, the engineer, was rushed to the city hospital, but was pronounced dead when the hospital was reached.

Irving is supposed to have stuck his head out of the cab about two miles outside of the city limits and been struck by some obstruction. His skull was fractured. He was 35 years of age.

PERSONAL.

C. C. Mousley, of Banfield, is at the Balmoral.

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Mrs. Koenig, of the Shawnigan Lake hotel, is visiting the city.

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E. J. Cody, chief of police at Kaslo, and Mrs. Cody, are at the Dominion on a holiday.

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E. P. Chandler, of Vancouver, a well known commercial man, is in town on business.

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Mrs. Stuart Livingstone came over from Vancouver last evening and will spend a few days with Mrs. Arthur W. McCurdy.

—John Robertson & Sons, Ltd. has secured the agency for Vancouver Island for Bass' ale and stout.

ROMANCE OF THE BLOODHOUND.

No breed of dog makes a more interesting study than does the bloodhound. It leads one from the beaten track of canine interest into the realm of history and romance. In the wars between England and Scotland it was often used in tracking fugitives. Both Wallace and Bruce had many hairbreadth escapes from bloodhounds; on one occasion the hounds were so hot on the trail of Bruce that he only escaped by wading down a stream until he found refuge in an overhanging tree, and so succeeded in throwing his pursuers off the scent.—Country Life.

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TO LET—6 room house, on Regent street, close to Cook and Pandora, $17.50, including water. Apply Bond & Clark.

WANTED—Work, by a steady man, willing to do anything; good driver, understands horses; private place preferred. Apply Box 539, Times.

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CARD OF THANKS.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Jeeves take this means of thanking their many friends for sympathy shown in their recent sad bereavement, and also for the many beautiful floral emblems.

ALL THE NEWS IN THE TIMES

FOR SALE—About 13 acres fine fruit land, on water front, in Parry Bay, 6½ miles from Victoria by water and 12 miles by road; 2 acres cleared and fenced, good water, main stage road passes property; price $150 per acre; easy terms. Apply Griffiths Bros., Metchosin.

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NOTICE.

SOCIETY FOR PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS.

The Annual Meeting of this Society will be held in the City Hall on Wednesday evening, December 16th, at 8 o'clock. The Mayor has kindly consented to preside.

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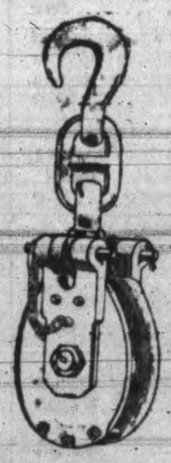

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REFERENDUM ON SUNDAY CLOSING

COUNCIL WILL SUBMIT IT TO RATEPAYERS

Decision Reached on Question of Petition Presented at Meeting.

A petition was read at the council meeting last night, asking the council "to submit a referendum by-law to the electors re the closing of shops on Sunday." This was signed by some 450 persons, and its prayer was granted by the mayor and aldermen.

Ald. Gleason moved that the request be granted.

City Solicitor Mann pointed out that it was extremely doubtful if the province or the city could do anything in the way of legislating on this matter. For himself he wanted time to look into the matter as affected by the petition.

Ald. Gleason said what the people signing the petition wanted was to have the question submitted to the ratepayers as to whether fruit and candy and cigar stores, and so on, should be closed on Sunday or not. Early in the year he had introduced a Sunday closing by-law, from which the council struck out the provision for closing stores and the people who were the means of having that introduced desired to have an expression of opinion from the ratepayers as to whether the council should take this further step. At the time he had brought in his by-law the city solicitor advised him that the council had power to close these places.

City Solicitor Mann explained that he had advised the alderman that certain trades could be dealt with and he had pointed out a way in which this might be done, but as to whether it would hold water if tested in the courts he did not wish to commit himself. His own opinion was that it would, but other lawyers held otherwise. His suggestion in this case was that he be given time to go into the matter so as to avoid the council incurring any expense. A referendum would be useful but not the submission of a straight by-law closing the stores.

Ald. Cameron favored the proposition for a referendum and said it was one of the arguments he had used against the adoption of the by-law. He said: "I would especially favor a referendum in such matters as these, where they have not been discussed in the municipal campaign and no alderman has been elected on a platform embracing them. I am in favor of consulting the people as often as possible as to their views on debatable questions."

Ald. Henderson advised the council to be sure of its power before it submitted the question to a referendum. It would be absurd to ask the people whether a certain thing could be done or not and then find out that the city had no power to do it.

Mayor Hall thought there would be no trouble about this. All the city would have to do would be to pass a by-law regulating the Sunday closing of stores, as it had already done in regard to poolrooms and places of amusement.

Ald. Fullerton fully endorsed the idea of asking the ratepayers for an expression of opinion.

Ald. Pauline also approved of a referendum, but thought the petitioners had not expressed themselves very clearly as to what they desired. The city solicitor should be asked to go into the matter and he and Ald. Gleason draft a question for submission to the people at the elections next month.

Ald. Gleason's motion was adopted.

OLD TIMER DEAD.

Nels Demars Passes Away at Nakusp at Age of 83 Years.

Nelson, Dec. 7.—News comes to hand of the death of Nels Demars at Nakusp at the age of 83. It will be remembered that Mr. Demars was a leading figure in the dramatic trial and conviction of Henry Rose for the murder of a man named Cole six years ago.

Three men, Rose, Cole and Demars set out from Nakusp for Demar's ranch in a boat one afternoon in the summer of 1903. They took with them a cargo of liquor of which they imbibed somewhat freely and finally ran the boat ashore some miles out from town. Here a quarrel arose in which Rose killed Cole and dangerously wounded Demars. Believing that both men were dead, Rose got into the boat and rowed back to Nakusp, where he told a story to the effect that the other two men had quarrelled and shot each other.

His account of the affair was not believed and an inquest was held at Revelstoke, as a result of which he was held for trial on a charge of murdering Cole and attempting to kill Mr. Demars.

The trial took place at Nelson in October, 1903, before Chief Justice Gordon Hunter. Rose still held to his original story but the jury gave the case against him, and he was hanged in Nelson on November 21st, 1904.

After the trial Demars lived for some time in Nelson and afterwards took a fruit ranch on the Arrow lake, which he sold last spring and returned to Quebec, but came west again three months ago and settled in Nakusp.

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CITY COUNCIL PASSES BY-LAWS

MATERIAL OFFERED FOR TAR MACADAM

Many Matters of Routine Are Considered by Mayor and Aldermen.

The city council sat for the full three hours last night, most of the time towards the end of the meeting being taken up with consideration of by-laws.

The Store street laundry question was dealt with and disposed of at the outset of the meeting, as referred to in another column, after which the aldermen settled down to dispose of routine matters.

To Formulate a Policy.

In reply to the city, A. T. Goward, local manager of the Victoria Gas Company, wrote to say that the company make about five tons a month of coke breeze, which the city could have for $1.50 per ton. This material is useful in the laying of tar macadam roadways. Mr. Goward also stated that the company had some seventy-five tons of clinkers at its works, which the city would be welcome to for the carting of it away.

"I move that this letter be referred to the streets committee," said Ald. Gleason. "We can then discuss this matter and formulate a policy as to this street work."

The motion carried and the letter went on for consideration behind the closed doors of the committee room, perchance to emerge later in the shape of a paragraph of the weekly report which is read in council without any one listening to it and then adopted pro forma.

Will End Inconvenience.

It was decided to act on the recommendation of the water commissioner and purchase a tapping machine for the department. By means of this the mains can be tapped for the making of a connection with any other main up to eight inches without closing off the water. A great deal of inconvenience is necessarily caused to consumers by having to shut the water off now in all cases where a larger connection than two inches has to be made.

The machine will cost $585 laid down here, freight and duty paid, and this includes the expenses of an expert, who will be sent on with it to instruct the city workmen in its use.

Contracts Awarded.

The water commissioner and purchasing agent reported on the tenders opened last week for the supply of lead pipe, brass goods and galvanized iron fittings for the waterworks department, and they recommended that the contract for lead pipe be awarded to A. Sheret at $4.35 per 100 pounds; to E. G. Prior & Co. for brass goods to a total of $6,126; and to A. Sheret for galvanized fittings to a total of $1,965.69.

By-laws Considered.

A by-law was put through dealing with the proportion to be borne by the city under the second Government street paving by-law. Owing to the necessity for repaving that thoroughfare four years before the proprietors had finished paying up their share of the original cost the city agreed to pay the proprietors' share under the new by-law, the owners continuing to pay under the old by-law until the expiry of the ten years. It has been found on the final balancing of accounts that the work cost some $2,000 more than the first estimate, on which a by-law was based. The present by-law is necessary to re-adjust the amounts which shall be paid. It was put through all its stages.

A local improvement by-law was put through for the grading, macadamizing and draining of Cook street, from the south side of Pandora avenue to the south side of Pakington street, with a boulevard curb and gutter on the west side between Pandora and Hilda and on the east side between Pandora and Pakington. The total cost will be $36,883.

The greater part of the session was taken up with the consideration of the by-law to regulate subdivisions and street lines. Several clauses were struck out and at 11 o'clock the matter was left over till next meeting.

Municipal Union.

The Union of B. C. Municipalities wrote thanking the council for the use of the committee room during the recent meeting of the executive here. It was also requested that the Victoria council send its full quota of three delegates to the annual meeting of the union at Vernon early next month.

Ald. Mable remarked that the union was a valuable organization but in his opinion it would accomplish more good if it met in the capital when the House was in session, instead of meeting up country.

Acknowledgments were read from Hon. Wm. Templeman, of the receipt of plans for streets on the reserve and from the agent of the department of marine and fisheries of the city's lease of water-front lots at the foot of Herald street.

The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals was granted the use of the council chamber for Wednesday evening, December 16th, for the purpose of holding the annual meeting, when the Mayor will preside.

A further communication from Captain Curtis, R. N., relating to dogs and containing pointers for the dog-catcher and pound-keeper, was referred to those officials.

Street Works.

The streets, bridges and sewers committee's report was adopted as follows:

Recommended that the following recommendations of Mr. Arthur L. Adams, re tenders for water meters, be adopted, viz:

1. That the award be made for the "Trident" meter, T. A. Johnson, tenderer, to the number of approximately one-half of the quantity of meters advertised.

2. That for the purpose of test and comparison an endurance run be at once instituted using two ¾ stock Worthington D model meters in a train and the same of Tridents; also that the Nash meters be placed on test the same as the others are.

Recommended that the purchasing agent be authorized to issue his order for the purchase of the following articles as per request of the city engineer: One complete set of Hadfield's Era Manganese steel concaves for No. 5 D Gates Crusher, consisting of 11 top sections and one top key section, 11 bottom sections and one bottom key section, price, $151.20; one smooth Era Manganese Steel mantle, gunlock style, price $96.50; one swing and one fixed jaw plate of Era Manganese Steel (same as last order) for No. 3 Austin Jaw Crusher, price 11c per lb. All of these prices are duty paid, delivered at Victoria via China Mutual line.

Re communication of A. H. Haggard re condition of Cook street at the back of the reservoir at Smith's Hill. Recommended that the writer be informed that no work of a permanent nature can be done to this roadway until after the water mains are laid therein.

Re communication of A. W. Bridgman regarding the undermining of the fence on the property of Harriet Cowper, corner of Menzies and Simcoe streets. Recommended that Mr. Bridgman be informed for the information of his client, that the condition of the fence complained of has been remedied.

Re tenders for the supply of lumber. The purchasing agent having reported that the tenders of the Shawnigan Lake Lumber Co. and Mr. J. A. Sayward, respectively, were the same price and the lowest, in each case on the whole schedule of sizes required, and recommended that these tenders be accepted and the lumber required be purchased in equal shares from each of these firms until the regular supplies are called for for next year; your committee recommend that the recommendation contained in said report be adopted.

Recommended that the following plank sidewalks be laid, viz.: On Hulton street, east side, from end of present walk to Mrs. F. Williams' house. Estimated cost $12 (4 foot.)

On Queen's avenue, south side, from Blanchard street eastward for a distance of 350 feet. Estimated cost $25, (2 planks.)

On Chapman street 2 plank walk. Estimated cost $20.

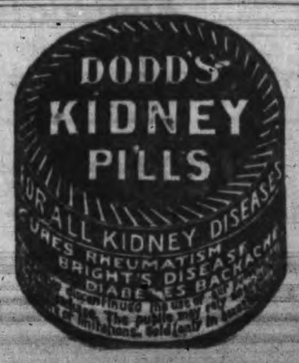
All expenditures contemplated in the foregoing to be subject to favorable report thereon by the finance committee and adoption of said report by the council.

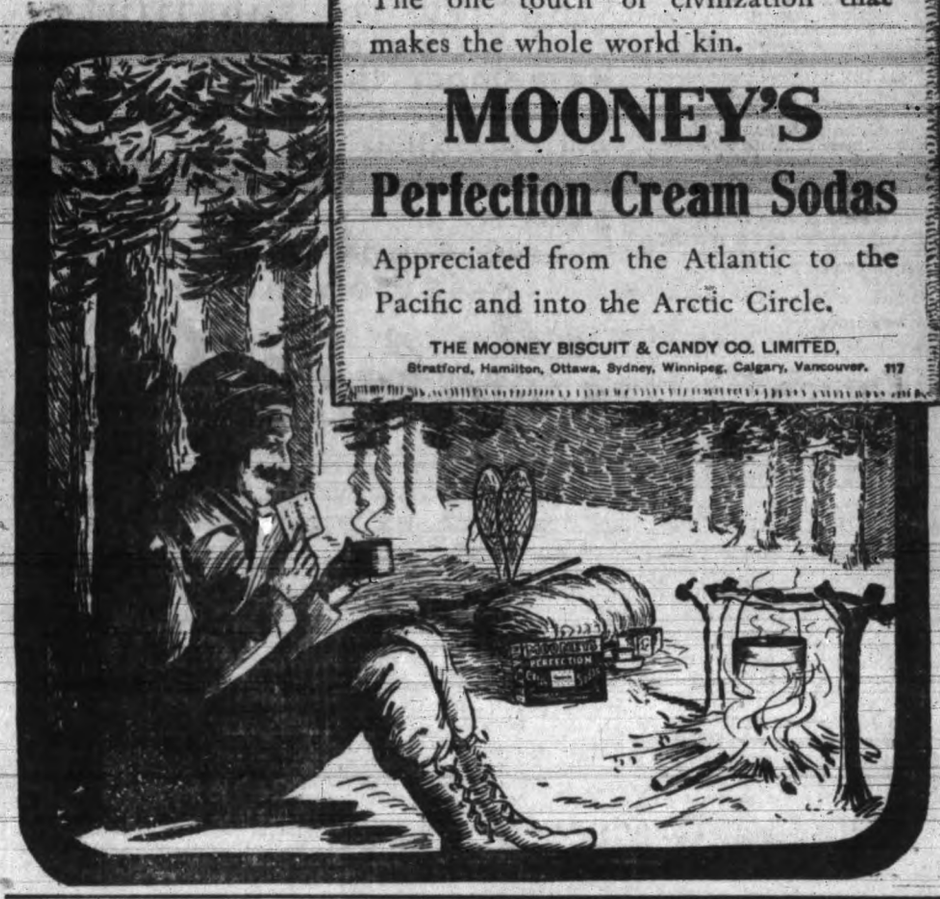
OAK BAY ELECTION.

Nominations on January 11th and Polling Five Days Later.

The Oak Bay municipal elections will take place at the new school house on Oak Bay avenue on January 16th, Clerk Floyd to be the returning officer. That was the decision of the council at its regular meeting in the old school house at Oak Bay last night. The nominations will be made on January 11th and the new council will hold its first meeting January 18th, according to the Municipal Act.

There was some doubt expressed as to whether the new school would be completed in time for the election, but it was pointed out that even if it was not finished it would be best to use it for the polling place. All the councillors were present with the exception of Councillor Fernie, Acting Reeve Henderson presiding.





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THE SENATE PROTESTS.

The United States Senate lost no time in expressing its opinion of the national executive. The upper house has always been jealous of the president. It cannot disabuse its legislative mind of the idea that there is enmity between the executive and legislative branches of the country. This enmity has been manifested repeatedly in the discussion of treaties negotiated by the executive branch. Scarcely ever does it happen that the Senate approves of the work of the cabinet in negotiating treaties, which are of course subject to the approval of the upper chamber. Hence it is that treaties are generally rejected or so radically amended that they are not acceptable to the authorities of the "parties of the second part." This truth has been frequently illustrated in specific instances. On account of the action of the Senate, the fact will be remembered that the treaty of arbitration between Great Britain and the United States fell to the ground. It was doubtless a realization of these things that induced the executive to "exchange notes" with Japan instead of entering into a formal treaty with that nation. A treaty would have had to pass the ordeal of the Senate, with the certainty of being "hung up" for an indefinite period and the not remote possibility of being finally rejected or so amended as to prove practically worthless. Consequently it is no wonder that the Senate protests that its functions are being usurped by the executive. It is the only thing, apparently, a strong executive can do if it hopes to establish cordial relations with foreign powers. The situation discloses the fact that there are weaknesses connected with the republican system as exemplified by the working of that system in the United States. It is not likely that the executive, dominated by President Roosevelt, will take a great deal of notice of the Senatorial protest. Whether it has set a precedent which will serve as a guide for future presidents remains to be seen. In the meantime "notes" have been exchanged between the United States and Japan which have practically the effect of a treaty. The Senate may gird and protest, but the people will probably approve. If they disapprove, it is not clear that they can effect a withdrawal of the "notes."

COUNCIL AND TOURIST ASSOCIATION.

Greater cities than Victoria have discovered by experience that it pays to draw attention to their attractions from a climatic and business point of view. No person endowed with the faculty of observation and deduction from facts observed questions that the advertising programme carried out by the Tourist Association has resulted in great benefits to the city. Situated as Victoria is, it is possibly true that with its manifold attractions the city is bound to grow; but no one will gainsay the fact that such growth must be accelerated by judicious advertising of such attractions. It does not pay a city to sit still and wait for things to turn up any more than it is the acme of business wisdom for a commercial establishment to wait in patience for the public to discover the merits of the wares it carries. Not in these days of commercial enterprise and aggressiveness. Consequently it is satisfactory to note that the city council of Victoria has decided to exercise such powers as it possesses under present financial conditions to assist the association in the work which it is anxious to undertake in the immediate future. It would be a grevious mistake now that such work is beginning to have effect and to bear fruit to allow the association to pass out of existence for lack of funds. The opportunities for advertising will be exceptional during the coming year. The Alaska-Yukon Exhibition to be held in Seattle will unquestionably attract enormous crowds of people from all parts of the American continent. The depression has lifted, and tourist travel will assume its normal, if not greatly increased, proportions during the year. The greater portion of this concourse would almost certainly never hear of Victoria unless attention were drawn to the city in some definite way. We have no doubt whatever that if the matter is properly placed before the people during the coming municipal elections, the action of the council will meet with general endorsement.

WHY DISPLAY IMPATIENCE?

The Colonist resignedly confesses that it must possess its soul in patience in respect of the disposition of the portfolio of Inland Revenue. But will our contemporary say why it should be impatient for Sir Wilfrid Laurier to act? The Premier is not violating any constitutional principles in taking time for consideration of the conditions created by the defeat of Mr. Templeman. If the interests of Victoria (which we assume to be first in the mind of our contemporary) or of the province were likely to suffer because of the deliberations of the Premier we could understand the Colonist's impatience. But it will hardly be contended that the presence of Mr. Templeman in the cabinet is a menace to the best interests of either the city of Victoria or of the province at large. Why then is the Colonist fidgeting and fuming, controlling itself with an obvious effort, because of the alleged dilatoriness of the Prime Minister? Are there any reasons other than public considerations for its anxiety to have Victoria summarily deprived of cabinet representation? Our contemporary's conduct both during and succeeding the late election campaign is calculated to create the impression either that it cherishes personal malice against the Minister of Inland Revenue or that it has private interests which it believes could be better served if Mr. Templeman could be put out of the way.

CLOUDS HANG LOW IN EUROPE.

Germany has admitted at last that she supports Austria in her policy of shaving Turkey of a large amount of territory. Great Britain, France and Russia are behind the Sublime Porte in its protests against a programme of spoliation or national brigandage. It is easy to imagine that serious consequences may arise from this disquieting European situation. The prospects are all the more serious because of the distrust with which, on general principles, Great Britain and Germany regard each other. An effort will be made to settle the dispute between Austro-Hungary and Turkey by the peaceful ways of diplomacy; but in the existing temper of Europe that will be no easy matter. However hopeful the dispassionate observer of current events may be, the fact cannot be disguised that the people of Great Britain have become possessed of the idea that war between their nation and Germany is inevitable—that it is only a matter of time until the struggle for supremacy must come. The people of Germany, notwithstanding pacific assurances from high sources, are doubtless like-minded. To add to the delicacy of the situation, there is a general impression, never expressed except with bated breath, that peace has reigned too long—that a great war must be waged in order to clear up things both from a domestic and a foreign point of view. It is possibly a sad commentary upon our boasted civilization that such thoughts should be entertained, even in secret. But that they are cherished cannot be disputed. The clouds may be dispersed and the world settle down into a more reasonable, more sensible and more pacific mood, through the medium of wise counsel and statesmanlike sagacity. Nevertheless the situation is ominous; it is such as to cause the souls of responsible men deep travail.

It would be a great mistake to suppose that because little Prince Edward Island has passed a stringent law in regard to automobiles that it is a reactionary community. No so. It simply means that the farmer will not stand for the numerous accidents which have occurred on the public roadways, and the farmer is supreme there. The same gentleman after a trial of the secret ballot at elections declared it was hypocritical and he abolished it in provincial and civic elections for what he considers straightforward and manly, the good old system of "open voting." For nearly twenty years the island has had one of the best rural telephone systems in the world. She is farthest ahead of all the Dominion on the temperance question. Her educational machinery gives the best results, and for warmhearted hospitality to the stranger within her gates you may search to the ends of the earth without finding her equal.

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On November 12th the Times made some references to the conduct of Agent McLeod of the Marine and Fisheries Department. There is no gentleman of the name of McLeod in the service of the Marine and Fisheries Department whose conduct has been a subject of investigation by Judge Cassels's court.

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A peculiarity about excessive protection is that it renders protection against itself necessary. Every government interference with the natural rights of citizens makes other corrective influences necessary. The protective tariff restricting the natural right of free purchase has created a necessity for many compensatory restrictions designed to counteract its influence. In Australia the government has surrounded the protected industries with a number of seemingly peculiar restraints, the object being to deprive them of the advantages which the protection system confers. The secondary restraints are designed chiefly for the benefit of employees, a policy quite different from that of Canada and the United States, which is intended to safeguard consumers. Canada has a law against combines in restraint of trade.

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The days are getting shorter—and electric light bills longer.

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After all districts have been heard from and recounts completed the Prince Edward Island election resulted in the return of 17 Liberals and 12 Conservatives, with one seat in suspense. Mr. Arsenault, Conservative, is held to be disqualified.

ON DANGEROUS GROUND.

(Kingston Standard.)

Dorando, who trained on three bottles of wine a day, has beaten the Marathon winner, Hayes, a teetotaler while in training at least, with comparative ease. If it had been the other way we should have no difficulty in drawing our conclusions and pointing to the moral that adorns this tale. But now—well, now we simply "dassen't" either point or conclude.

TO ADVANCE INTERESTS OF VANCOUVER ISLAND

Different Centres Appoint Representatives for Joint Meeting.

The proposition made by a select committee of the board of trade that representatives of the various communities on Vancouver Island should meet and discuss plans for a systematic system of advancing the interests of the Island is taking well with various representative bodies.

Nanaimo has appointed John Coburn to represent that city. Another representative has been appointed in the person of H. C. Brewster, M. P., who was elected by the Clayoquot board of trade to represent it.

No time has yet been set for the meeting to be held.

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The programme is as follows:

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Barcarole ..... Protheroe
Der Wanderer (by request)... Schubert
Mrs. Harry Pooley.
Silent Recollection ..... J. Pache
Concerto, Op. 25, (for two pianos, ... Mendelssohn
Mrs. Hermann Robertson and E. H. Russell.
Legend of the Bended Bow.... Gilchrist
With solo by Mrs. H. Pooley.

Part II.

Cavalier Song ..... G. Bantock
Since First I Met Thee ..... Rubinstein
Mrs. Harry Pooley.
Nocturne ..... Proteroe
Idyll Mongolienne ..... Stevenson
(a) Des Abends ..... F. Schumann
(b) Spinnenlied ..... Mendelssohn
Mrs. Hermann Robertson.
The Song of the Viking ..... Chadwick
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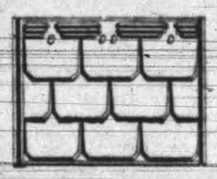

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—Savings on English Blankets.—Fine all-wool blankets, specially reduced this week end. Prices $3.25 a pair and up.—Robinson's Cast Store, 642 Yates street. •

—The Beacon Hill Park Bowling Club will meet at the Prairie Club rooms at 8 o'clock Thursday evening.

—A lecture will be given in the schoolroom of St. Barnabas' church to-morrow evening by Rev. E. G. Miller. The lecture will be on Old Testament subjects and will be illustrated by means of lantern slides. •

—A meeting of the Victoria Poultry and Pet Stock Association will be held this evening in the Queen's hotel. All members are requested to be present as business of importance will be transacted. The reports of the committees on rules and special prizes will be received.

—Referees for the basketball games to-morrow night are: Second division, Esquimalt and Bays, R. White; Shamrocks and Y. M. C. A., J. Baker. Junior Y. M. C. A. and High School, R. Peden; Bays and Victoria West, W. Malcolm; North Ward and Shamrocks, J. Donaldson.

—The Young Women's Club of the Metropolitan church will meet to-morrow evening in the lecture room of the church. The club will be addressed by Miss Hall, a graduate in domestic science of Manchester, England, on the subject of Invalid Cookery. It is hoped there will be a large attendance of members and friends.

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—The funeral of the late Gordon F. Grant took place this afternoon at 2 o'clock from the family residence, 3004 Saanich road. Services were conducted by Rev. S. J. Thompson.

—The Oak Bay licensing commissioners will hold their regular meeting at the schoolhouse on Foul Bay road on Wednesday next at 4 p. m., for the purpose of considering renewals of the licenses in the municipality.

—An oyster supper will be given by the Y. M. C. A. on Thursday evening at 7 o'clock. The winning side in the recent boys' membership contest, the new members and all the boys who brought in a new member are entitled to attend the supper.

—There will be a mixed foursome handicap competition played on the Oak Bay golf links on Saturday, the 19th instant. Entries should be sent to the secretary, Harry Combs, on or before Thursday, the 17th. There is an entrance fee of $1 for each pair.

—The special anniversary meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be held on Thursday afternoon next at 3 o'clock at the home of Mrs. C. T. Reid, at the end of the Douglas street car line. The programme on the occasion will be provided by the charter members of the society, the speakers being Mrs. Teague, Mrs. Jenkins and Mrs. Spofford. Mrs. Clyd ewill sing and a number of other charter members will take part. At the close refreshments will be served by the hostess.

—The regular semi-monthly meeting of the local branch of the International Bartenders' league was held Sunday last, when the election of officers for the ensuing six months took place. The following officers were elected: President, J. Hook; vice-president, W. Ferris; recording secretary, J. Frank; financial secretary, F. Jewel; inspector, H. Smith; inner guard, J. Lawson; trustees, W. Paulson, F. Ella, R. Livingston; business agent, W. R. Jones.

—Last evening at the First Presbyterian club was ladies' night, and every one present voted it the best of the season. The programme consisted of a vocal solo by Miss Soxsmith; instrumental solo, Miss J. Wilson; vocal solo, Miss Cameron; duet, Misses Cameron and M. Wilson. After refreshments had been served a sociable time was spent. Next Monday will be gentlemen's night. The meetings are open to all who care to attend, and strangers will be given a hearty welcome.

—Herbert Cuthbert & Co. have entered suit against F. C. Lowe, of Calgary, at present living here, for a five per cent. commission on the sale of a block of land, thirty-two acres adjoining Beacon Hill park, to Frank S. Barnard. The price paid was about $60,000. R. T. Elliott, K. C., is acting for the firm. It is understood that the defence is that Mr. Lowe put the transaction through himself without any assistance.

—The regular meeting of the Ministerial Association was held yesterday morning when an instructive address on "Local Option" was delivered by Rev. Dr. Spencer. The chair was occupied by the president, Rev. H. A. Carson. Among those present were Rev. W. Leslie Clay, Rev. T. W. Gladstone, Rev. D. MacRae, Rev. C. Burnett, Rev. Dr. Spencer, Rev. A. E. Roberts, Rev. Dr. Reid, Rev. J. McCoy and Rev. T. E. Holling. It was decided to hold a week of prayer starting on January 4th, and a committee was appointed to make necessary arrangements.

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BRIGHT PROSPECTS FOR ATLIN NEXT SEASON

Several Syndicates to Commence Work on Large Scale.

G. W. Gapp, of Atlin, connected with the White Pass & Youkon railway, speaking on the prospects for next season in the Atlin district, said at the Balmoral this morning that the development work done this season through the district pointed to many more men than ever before going into Atlin in the spring. Of the prospects that have been opened up there will be big work done on the following: On Spruce creek, J. M. Ruffner has this year constructed a six-mile ditch, and is now ready for extensive operations. Prospecting and development was continued right up till the freeze up on McKee creek, where work will open again when the spring opens. At Ruby creek, T. Dalton, on behalf of a Seattle syndicate, has prospected a property all summer, and has reported to his principals advising development next year. A small plant and a pipe line will be shipped in as soon as transportation opens, and development work will be commenced. The Guggenheims had a new man in the territory this year and propose to send in improved machinery with which they will take out twice the amount of the past season. The magnesite property at Atlin has been proved, and is all staked on behalf of Vancouver capitalists. It is thought in Atlin that operations will be commenced on this property in the spring, and that for the purpose of shipping a drying plant will be built to treat the material before shipment. This, with the other work in view, will offer employment to many more men than were in the district last season. There are now one hundred and twenty individual miners there who intend to drift all winter. Several prospects were compelled to shut down before washing owing to the early freeze up. These, however, will obtain the advantage of their work next season.

MIXED UP IN TROUBLE.

Another Roumanian Charged With Drawing a Knife.

Alexander Vled appeared in the police court dock this morning charged with having taken part in an affray with Martin Hopcoin and others in the barroom of the Colonial hotel on Saturday afternoon. He was remanded until Thursday, when Hopcoin comes up for trial.

Vled is a young fellow and is one of the group of Roumanians who were mixed up in the affray. He is alleged to have drawn a knife in the altercation which occurred in the bar previous to the stabbing of Eli Helo. He does not appear to have used it on any one, but, of course, the carrying of a knife and the using it as a weapon—as is the custom with these southern European races on slight provocation, is a serious offence in Canada. The arrest of Vled, which was made by Detectives Clayards and O'Leary, as soon as they learned of his share in the row, is largely with a view to demonstrate that the law in this regard must be obeyed.

Helo was fortunately not cut deeply, and he will be able to attend in court to-morrow to give evidence against Hopcoin.

NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY.

Meeting Last Night Was Well Attended by Members.

A well attended meeting of the Natural History Society was held last evening in their room in the Carnegie library. Much important business was transacted and a paper read by Frank Sylvester entitled "Old Time Reminiscences of British Columbia."

The narrator described the scenes and incidents of a trip to Big Bar and return in 1859, and also the particulars of a strenuous winter trip over the old Douglas route from Lillooet to Port Pemberton in the winter of 1859, graphically describing a terrible encounter with a brown bear on the Pemberton portage.

Many members signified their willingness to read valuable scientific papers during the coming season.

—The funeral of the late Bromley Jones, infant son of Albert G. Jones, took place this morning from the family residence, 597 John street, where Rev. Stanley Ard conducted a short service.

—The annual meeting of the subscribers to the Portestant Orphans' Home is being held in the council chamber, city hall, this afternoon at half past four for the reception of reports and the election of the committees of management for next year. The executive will meet previous to the meeting.

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POLICE COMMISSIONERS FIND LAWS OBEYED

Resolution Passed Challenging Statements That Gambling is Prevalent.

A meeting of the police commissioners was held yesterday at which a resolution was passed and given out for the public information, dealing with the question of the observance of the regulation by saloon keepers, and reports that gambling is practised.

The resolution is as follows: "It having been reported to the police commissioners that statements are being made that saloon keepers are not obeying the law and that gambling is prevalent in the city, the commissioners challenge such statements and declare their willingness to investigate any charge of this character made to them."

COUNCIL ORDERS BUILDING IMPROVED

Disposes of the Store Street Chinese Laundry Case.

The matter of the Chinese laundry on Store street, in a building owned by L. J. Quagliotto, lying between the Queen's hotel and the E. & N. railway station, has at last been disposed of by the city council. This case has been pending for a long time and has been the subject of several reports, written and verbal.

The impression has certainly been conveyed, as one of the aldermen mentioned last night, that the structure was a rookery, dangerous and unhealthy, and that the only way to deal with it was to tear it down. It turns out that it is a really substantial building, that some defects in sanitary matters can easily be remedied and that the only serious fault is that a Chinese laundry, washing room and drying room are located in a bad position. In addition, the washing room does not conform to the requirements of the wash-houses by-law.

The council orders that the objectionable portions of the laundry work must cease at once, which, of course, closes the business up, and Mr. Quagliotto is given ten days to do necessary repairs to the building.

"I am not using the premises and I do not see why they should get after me to clean the place," said Mr. Quagliotto, after a report had been read from the inspector. "I have been trying to get them to tell me what they want, but I cannot. I am prepared to do anything, and so is the Chinaman there. The building is on stone piers and there is lots of circulation of air underneath."

Sanitary Inspector Lancaster was sworn as to his inspection of Saturday and that morning. He found the barber shop in fair sanitary condition, he said, but the laundry and restaurant were in a terrible state. The back of the restaurant, where the food is prepared, was in a filthy state. There was a sanitary convenience there which should be removed, and portions of the floor would have to be replaced, though most of it would do with a good scrubbing. Underneath the building there was lots of circulation of air, but the drippings from the wash-house were offensive.

Mr. Quagliotto admitted the condition to some extent and promised to remedy it at once.

Ald. McKeown asked if it was a fact or not that the building was in such a condition that it could not be made sanitary. That impression had been conveyed by previous proceedings in the matter.

City Solicitor Mann stated that the sanitary inspector informed him that he could not report against the building, as it was a substantial building on good pillars.

The inspector said Ald. McKeown was right to the extent that it was impossible for the building to remain in a sanitary condition unless the washing room and drying room were removed. If these rooms were continued in use as at present the building would always be a nuisance. The council could consider whether it would allow the building of a corrugated iron washing room.

Following up the inquiry held at the previous meeting in regard to the laundry, it was decided on motion of Ald. Meston, to order the immediate discontinuance of the use of the washing and drying rooms. On motion of Ald. Pauline the owner of the building was given ten days to put it in proper condition.

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BAYS DEFEAT NORTH WARD IN FIRST GAME

Basketball Season Opened Last Night—A Four Point Win.

In the first game of the basketball season played last night at the Assembly rink, the North Ward team met defeat at the hands of the Bays, who recorded 23 points, while the men from the north end of the city were successful only in securing 19. The Bays, therefore, have compiled a two point lead towards the total that will at the end of the season decide which of the four teams in the league will hold the handsome Redfern cup for the year.

With the continued practice obtained by the players the game last night was surprising from the lack of accuracy and judgment displayed on both sides. All through there was very little system used. The Bays had the advantage of a little extra weight over their opponents and made good use of it.

The first half the Bays won the game by securing 11 points to 4. This lead was more than the North Ward could manage to make up and at the same time keep going ahead after the points the Bays were adding to their first half score. North Ward, however, chased the Bays well up till ten minutes before time when the winners got to work and with Spencer's help settled the game by adding three goals in rapid succession. During the second half the ball struck one of the electric lamps and shattered it with a loud explosion. No damage was done beyond that to the lamp. The scores were:

J.B.A.A.—	Field Goal.	Foul Goal.	Total
T. Peden	4	1	5
R. Peden	6	0	6
J. Finlaison	0	0	0
L. Spencer	8	0	8
J. Clark	4	0	4
			23

North Ward—	Field Goal.	Foul Goal.	Total
J. Dakers	4	1	5
A. Dakers	4	0	4
W. Malcolm	4	0	4
J. Dakers	2	0	2
C. Cousins	4	0	4
			19

Frank Smith gave satisfaction to both teams as referee.

The next game in the senior division will be played at the rink December 21st when Victoria West and the Y. M. C. A. teams meet.

To-morrow night the second division and junior games commence. Esquimalt and the Bays play, and the Shamrocks will meet Y. M. C. A. in the second division, while in the junior series the games are Y. M. C. A. and the High school, Bays and the Victoria West, and North Ward and Shamrocks.

STANFORD IN TRAINING FOR CHRISTMAS GAMES

Twenty Men Out in Field Preparing for Vancouver Matches.

Stanford, Dec. 7.—The Stanford Rugby team are preparing for their trip north. The 'varsity squad turned out again this week for practice and from now on will be given light practice. Owing to the fact that but twenty men are out for work the team cannot hold practice line-ups. Manager Stewart will, however, endeavor to get games with the Olympics and Barbarians.

Calwalader, Scott and Koerner will be unable to make the trip, but the remaining 'varsity men will go. Just how many men will be taken and who will go as substitutes is not yet determined. The following squad are in suits: Terrill, Higley, McGregor, Dole, Crawford, Pemberton, Cheda, Reynolds, Evans, Miller, Erb, Heinly, Mitchell, Ganong, Elliott, Roth, Holman, Cook, Faulkner and Brown.

HOCKEY.

VICTORIA TO TRAVEL.

Victoria hockey team goes to Vancouver on Saturday next to play the Terminal City club in the B. C. Coast League championship matches. The schedule opened November 14th, when Victoria won easily from Seattle. The second match of the list was for last Saturday between Vancouver and Seattle. The latter team, however, was unable to get together, so Victoria has a part in the first two games played on the list. The local men are up to form, having been training hard. Reports from Vancouver are that a good team is there, but it relies too much on individual effort. If this is the case Saturday, Victoria's combination can secure their second win. They will line up as follows: Goal, Loat; full backs, Mason (W.) and Russell; half backs, Bamford, Hart, Mason (J. F.); forwards, Lawson, Rolands, Montgomery, Pope, Clearihue.

LADIES' MATCH.

In all probability the Victoria Ladies' Hockey Club will go to Vancouver on Saturday to play the ladies' hockey club there. The local secretary has written to Vancouver offering the match, and is now awaiting a reply from the Mainland city.

SEVEN ENTRIES FOR SEVEN MILE RACE

Event Probably Will Be Confined to Island Runners Only.

The Y. M. C. A. has planned a seven-mile road race for New Year's day, commencing from the Y. M. C. A. rooms and going around Government street to Belleville street, thence to the outer wharf and round Dallas road to Beacon Hill park, three times round the mile ring on the park and thence back to the Y. M. C. A. rooms, via Michigan and Government streets. Instructor Findlay said this morning that the distance would be run in about 41 minutes. He maintains there are several runners connected with the Y. M. C. A. and the J. B. A. A. who can do the seven miles in that time. From Shrubb's record for ten miles his seven would work out within about two seconds of 35 minutes 28 seconds.

There are already several men in training for the event, namely, Frank Baylis, from J. B. A. A., and Sproule, C. Baylis, Beckwith and Kiddle of the Y. M. C. A., while Rowan will probably come from Nanaimo, and Muleahey, of the Bays, may enter. There are one or two other runners in the city who may be seen New Year's day on the course also.

Owing to the fact that there is a road race in Vancouver on that day it is probable that the Vancouver athletic clubs will not enter competitors so that the race although open to all runnres of British Columbia, will be limited to those on the Island. Instructor Findlay will go over the course on a bicycle with a cyclometer attached, this week, and obtain the exact distance.

The race will be commenced at 10.30 in the morning, and not in the afternoon, as originally proposed.

SEATTLE SOCCER TEAM PLAYS HERE SATURDAY

Victoria Has Still Chance to Win Con Jones Cup.

The Seattle soccer team comes to Victoria Saturday next to play the first game in the Pacific Coast league here. The Seattle men were beaten this week by Vancouver 5 to 3, while in October Vancouver beat them 6-0. Victoria's defeat in Vancouver Saturday was due to circumstances in a large measure. The game was played in a thick fog that prevented the ball being seen in the air when punted. The players stood round and waited to hear the thud as the ball hit the earth again. Beyond that the ground was frozen over and was hard and slippery. The win was by chance only, and two goals scored by Victoria was given off side, although the Victoria players declare the referee could not distinctly see the positions of all the players through the fog.

To win the Con Jones cup for the league Victoria has to win all three matches to play. They are two against Seattle and one against Nanaimo at Nanaimo. If Victoria can do so and Nanaimo can beat Vancouver on the return game on January 23rd at Vancouver, Victoria can still get the cup.

CANADIAN PITCHERS IN PROFESSIONAL BALL

Northwestern League is Holding Meeting To-night in Seattle.

What Canada has done for baseball in providing pitchers for the game is as follows. It will be seen that Canada has done a fair share of the work and doubtless has many more to follow:

Name.	Team.	From
Clarke	Cleveland	Windsor
Gibson	Pittsburg	London, Ont.
Ownes	Chicago Americans	Toronto
Archer	Chicago Nationals	Toronto
McLean	Cincinnati	St. John's, N.B.
McManus	Montreal	St. John's, N.B.
Elliott	Toronto-Oswego	Kingston
Miley	Empire State	Toronto
Snyder	Toronto	Washington
Cadman	American Ass'n.	Toronto
Downing	Empire State	Toronto
Gorton	Pacific Coast	Toronto
M. Powers		Norfolk

These are a few but there are many more that go to make up the long list that could be compiled.

Northwestern League.

The annual meeting of the Northwestern Baseball league takes place to-night at the Hotel Butler, Seattle. The meeting was originally set for Thursday night, but the date has been altered by W. H. Lucas, president of the league. There will be two important measures come up for disposal, the admission of Portland to the league and the election of a president. The former has been agreed upon, and either Judge W. W. McCredie or Walter McCredie, his nephew, will represent Portland at the meeting. The annual report of the president - secretary - treasurer, W. H. Lucas, of Spokane, will also be submitted.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

M'GILL COLLEGE COMING.

The McGill college Rugby team from Vancouver will play the J. B. A. A. Rugby men here on January 16th. The Bays will play a return game in Vancouver at a date not yet fixed, at which Leo Sweeney, captain of the Bays, says will probably be two weeks after the McGills visit here.

The Bays have settled on weekly practices in the gymnasium to take place Tuesdays and Thursdays. The first one will be held to-night and every member is wanted for the purpose of practicing the new formation proposed. It is the same as used by the New Zealand team, and consists of a two three-two formation instead of a three two-two formation as used heretofore.

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SLEEPY HOLLOW CHAIR	The old reliable and comfortable Sleepy Hollow Chair is always acceptable. We sell a beauty covered in art velour. Regular $8.00 value. Cash price	$ 7.20
RATTAN ROCKER	A nice Rattan Rocker will make a nice gift for a lady. We show a good, strong and comfortable one, at, regular $6.00 value, cash price	$ 5.40
FANCY ROCKERS	A beautiful Golden Quarter Cut Oak Rocker, finely embossed and decorated leather cobbler seat. Regular $6.00 value. Cash price	$ 5.40
CHILDREN'S TOY SET	Decorated Child's Table and Two Chairs to match—an excellent present for the little ones. We have them in blue, red and golden. Regular $2.75 value. Cash price.....	$ 2.50

Come to-day and inspect our large stock of beautiful and useful articles suitable for Christmas Gifts. We deliver at once or later if required.

DON'T FORGET WE ARE GIVING AWAY A NUMBER OF VALUABLE CHRISTMAS GIFTS

ONE COUPON FOR EVERY DOLLAR PAID IN ON ACCOUNT

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ONE COUPON FOR EVERY DOLLAR'S WORTH PURCHASED

CRICKET.

VICTORIA CLUB DANCE.

The Victoria Cricket Club is making big preparations for the club dance to be held Friday in the A. O. U. W. hall at nine o'clock. Two hundred tickets are on sale and are going off rapidly, much to the satisfaction of the club secretary. The object of the dance is to swell the funds of the club towards an endeavor to start the season well ahead and to retain the services of Coppinger for the year.

The supper will be in the hands of the following committee: Mrs. J. H. Gillespie and Mrs. T. B. Tye. Mrs. George Gillespie and Mrs. A. E. Irving will act as hostesses.

Tickets can be obtained from the following members of the club: T. B. Tye, J. H. Gillespie, W. T. Williams, L. S. V. York, J. W. D. York, A. F. Martin and N. W. S. Rant.

THE RING.

J. J. CORBETT AS REFEREE.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 8.—James J. Corbett, former heavyweight champion of the world, will re-enter the prize ring on the night of Dec. 15th, in this city, but not as a fighter. He has consented to referee the fight between Hugo Kelly and Billy Papke on that night at the Jeffries pavilion. Agreements were concluded with him to referee yesterday and he is now in San Diego.

THROW AWAY ALL YOUR FEARS

BACKACHE, GRAVEL AND RHEUMATISM VANISH BEFORE DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS.

Proved Once Again in the Case of Mrs. Fred Krieger, Who Suffered From the Worst Form of Kidney Disease.

Palmer Rapids, Ont., Dec. 7.—(Special).—The thousands of Canadians who live in daily terror of those terrible forms of Kidney Disease known as Backache, Gravel and Rheumatism, will be deeply interested in the story of Mrs. Fred Krieger, of this place.

"I was for years a great sufferer from Kidney Disease, Gravel, Rheumatism and Backache," Mrs. Krieger states. "It all started through a cold, but I got so my head ached, I was nervous, my limbs were heavy, I had a dragging sensation across my loins, and I was totally unfit to do anything.

"Reading about wonderful cures by Dodd's Kidney Pills led me to buy some. After using a few I found they were doing me good and this encouraged me to continue their use. Eight boxes made me well.

"I have been able to do my own work ever since and to-day I am completely cured. Dodd's Kidney Pills gave me health and I feel like a new woman."

If you keep your Kidneys strong and healthy you can never have Backache, Rheumatism or Gravel. Dodd's Kidney Pills never fail to make the Kidneys strong and well.

Grapes are so cheap in Apulia that large numbers of growers have decided to make no harvest this year, and the fruit will be abandoned.

You cannot possibly have a better Cocoa than

EPPS'S

A delicious drink and a sustaining food. Fragrant, nutritious and economical. This excellent Cocoa maintains the system in robust health, and enables it to resist winter's extreme cold.

COCOA

Sold by Grocers and Storekeepers in ½-lb. and ¼-lb Tins.

TO-DAY

Four Big SPECIALS

STOP AND LOOK AT THESE BARGAINS IN OUR WINDOWS

Ladies' Box Calf Laced Boots, were $2.50, now.....$1.75
Misses' Fine Kid Boot, Blucher cut, were $2.25. To-day and to-morrow $1.50
Girls' Fine Kid Shoe, $1,75 .....$1.25
Child's Blucher Cut Kid Shoe, were $1.50, now.....$1.15

REMEMBER, WE ARE SELLING OUT AND THIS IS YOUR OPPORTUNITY

IDEAL SHOE STORE
Government St., Opp. Spencer's

A BY-LAW

A BY-LAW TO REGULATE FIREARMS

The Municipal Council of the Municipality of the District of North Saanich enacts as follows:

1. No person shall, without the permission of the Reeve of the Municipality, discharge any cannon, gun, rifle, revolver, pistol or fowling piece within the limits of the Municipality of North Saanich. The penalty for any infraction of this By-Law shall be for every offence a sum not less than $5.00 and not exceeding $50.00, and in default imprisonment at the discretion of the magistrate.

2. This By-Law may be cited as the "Firearms By-Law."

I hereby certify this to be a true copy of the above By-Law.

R. B. BRETHOUR,
Clerk.

B.C. Protestant Orphan's Home

NOTICE

The annual meeting of subscribers to the British Columbia Protestant Orphans' Home will be held in the Council Chamber of the city hall on Tuesday, the 8th inst., at 4:30 p. m., to receive reports, elect committee of management for ensuing term, and to transact such other business as may be properly brought forward.

WM. SCOWCROFT,
Hon. Sec.

READ THE TIMES

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CONVENIENTLY LOCATED, CAREFULLY PLANNED, GOOD GARDENS.

Well built, carefully finished houses.
Reasonable prices and terms.
A good investment to rent.
Better to make a home.

6, 7, AND 8 ROOMS. Priced from $3,150 to $4,500.

If you prefer your own plans, I have several CHOICE VACANT SITES, notably corners on Cook and Vancouver Sts., at very reasonable prices, indeed.

Some very choice lots as low as $550.

If you are looking for an investment or a home, it may well pay you to talk it over with me.

W. D. McGREGOR
Anderson Chambers,
615 FORT ST.

Florist Business Changed

Having acquired the business of E. LAING (late J. T. Higgins), corner of FORT AND COOK STREETS, the undersigned beg to announce that they will continue this business for retail purposes.

Full stock of Cut Flowers always on hand.

Mr. Laing will continue his landscape gardening work, for which orders can be left with us.

WILKERSON & BROWN
Telephone 1001. Residence A349.
Greenhouses, Saanich Road, A1316.

"LIQUOR LICENSE ACT, 1900."

Notice is hereby given that, thirty days after date, I intend to apply to the Superintendent of Provincial Police for a license to sell intoxicating liquor on the premises to be known as the Hotel Strathcona, situated at Shawnigan Lake.

JOSEPHINE E. WARK.
Shawnigan Lake, B. C., 21st Nov., 1908.

LIQUOR LICENSE ACT, 1900.

Notice is hereby given that, thirty days after date, I intend to apply to the Superintendent of Provincial Police for a renewal of license to sell intoxicating liquors on the premises known as the Four-Mile House, situated on Goldstream road.

MRS. M. GOUGE.
Esquimalt, B. C., 24th November, 1908.

LIQUOR LICENSE ACT, 1900.

Notice is hereby given that, 30 days after date, I intend to apply to the Superintendent of Provinvial Police for a renewal of license to sell intoxicating liquors on the premises known as the Half-Way House, situated on Esquimalt road, British Columbia.

ALEX. SIMPSON.
Esquimalt, B. C., Nov. 17th, 1908.

LIQUOR LICENSE ACT, 1900.

Notice is hereby given that, thirty days after date, I intend to apply to the Superintendent of Provincial Police for a renewal of license to sell intoxicating liquors on the premises known as the Coach and Horses, situated on Esquimalt road.

H. SIMPSON.
Esquimalt, B. C., 17th November, 1908.

LIQUOR LICENSE ACT, 1900.

Notice is hereby given that, thirty days after date, I intend to apply to the Superintendent of Provincial Police for a renewal of license to sell intoxicating liquors on the premises known as the Oakdell House, situated at Colwood, B. C.

L. O. DEMERS.
Colwood, B. C., 24th November, 1908.

Advertise in the Times

WHEN WILL THE CLOCK STOP?

ON THURSDAY, DEC. 3, AT NOON

Representatives from the "Colonist" and "Times" presented themselves at the store of

FELIX McMANUS

JEWELLER AND OPTICIAN,

Corner of Johnson and Douglas Sts., to see a certain CLOCK securely fastened to the wall, wound up, SET GOING, and sealed up.

From now until the clock stops, every Dollar spent in the store will entitle the customer to one guess as to what day, hour and minute the clock will stop.

The only information which will be given to anyone, regarding the clock, is that it is listed in the Ansonia Catalogue as an Eight-Day Timepiece. It may stop in less than eight days, but it will probably go quite a while longer.

TWELVE PRIZES WILL BE GIVEN, VALUE $211.75,

To the twelve nearest guessers, whether they guess the right time or not, but only one prize to any one person.

As the clock, when running down, will probably vary in time, the time at which it shall be said to stop, shall be the time registered by itself.

Coupons should be handed in at as early a date as possible, as, in the event of two or more winners guessing the same time, the first of them handed in will be given the preference.

Be particular to write your full name and address and to state the time as a. m., or p. m., or use Railroad time (24 hour system).

FIRST PRIZE, DIAMOND RING, VALUE $85.00.

A Fine White Diamond set in a heavy 14k. Belcher Setting, suitable for either Lady or Gentleman.

2nd Prize—Gentleman's 21 Jewelled Watch, in a 20 Year Gold Filled Case. Value $35.00
3rd Prize—Lady's 15 Jewelled Watch in a 14k., 25 Year Gold Filled Case. Value $20.00
4th Prize—Gent's 14k. Solid Gold Signet Ring $14.00
5th Prize—Handsome Marbleised Mantle Clock $12.50
6th Prize—Lady's 14k. Solid Gold Ring, set with five whole Pearls $10.50
7th Prize—Gent's 14k. Gold Filled Double Rope Watch Chain of the celebrated R. F. Simmons manufacture $7.75
8th Prize—Lady's 14k. Gold Filled Lorgnette Chain $7.00
9th Prize—Handsome Cut Glass Bowl, 8 inch $6.50
10th Prize—Silver Plated Berry Dish $6.00
11th Prize—Silver Plated Cake Basket $5.50
12th Prize—Silver Plated Berry Spoon $2.00

FRUIT TREES

ALL KINDS OF FRUIT TREES
Adapted to this climate
Grown at the

Mount Tolmie Nurseries

Can be relied upon as being healthy, true to name and superior to any imported.

Also Ornamental Deciduous and Evergreen trees, shrubs, etc., for sale at reasonable prices.

G. A. KNIGHT

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BUTTERNUT BREAD
IS UNSURPASSED
YOU BE THE JUDGE
Made only by
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IMPERIAL BAKERY
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Ocean and Coastwise Shipping

Movements of Local Vessels—Trade Expansion in B. C. Waters—Gleanings of Interest From the Seven Seas.

CHARLOTTE EXPECTED BY CHRISTMAS DAY

New C. P. R. Flier Has Left Coronel Bound for Callao, the Next Coaling Port.

The new C. P. R. steamer Princess Charlotte left Coronel yesterday for Callao en route for Victoria. She is making a fast trip and is expected to arrive here in time for the officers and men to eat their Christmas dinner. The attention of the whole coast is on her and according to all the accounts that are heard she will not disappoint those who are pinning their faith on her. The Princess Victoria can do 22 knots but the Princess Charlotte is expected to better that by a knot or two when she is going her fastest.

MARINE NOTES

The barque Homeward Bound, which has arrived at San Francisco from Swansea, reports a terrible time rounding Cape Horn. The vessel was in a terrific hurricane and for several days was covered with ice and snow. Many of the crew were frost bitten and vessel's decks and fittings were badly damaged. She was 135 days on the voyage.

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Three steel propeller tugs and one stern wheeler for taking care of the towage service between Portland and the sea will be built by the port of Portland if the recommendations of Chief Engineer J. B. C. Lockwood of the commission are carried out. He estimates that the four vessels can be constructed at a cost of $325,000.

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St. John, N. B., Dec. 8.—News was received yesterday of the death at Liverpool, Eng., of Peter Owen, a member of the great Liverpool shipping firm of Farnsworth and Jardine, with very large interests in Canada, particularly in New Brunswick. They are closely identified with the Canadian lumber trade. This firm has control of the Gibson and Snowball business.

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Detroit, Mich., Dec. 8.—A Free Press special from Duluth, under yesterday's date, says: "The steamer Peavy arrived to-day with a report that the missing steamer Clemson has been located, wrecked on the north shore of Lake Superior, and that her crew are safe."

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Capt. Bergquist's tug Beatrice is at present engaged in collecting clams at different points in the Straits of Georgia for the canneries on the Fraser river. The clams are dug by the Indians, and the steamer makes periodical trips from point to point.

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Steamer Queen sails to-night for San Francisco, one day late, owing to the fogs off Vancouver. She will take the following passengers from this port: Miss S. Morris, Miss Mary McKay, Miss Agnes Anderson, Al. Franck, Mr. and Mrs. J. Drader, Mrs. Guthridge and six steerage passengers.

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Captain Bradford is having his gasoline schooner Selma overhauled at Vancouver in readiness for the spring fishing. The boat is equipped with a Union 34 h. p. engine.

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Steamer Quadra will do some work in Esquimalt and other local waters during the next few days.

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N. S. steamer Humboldt was reported in Portier Pass this morning at 8 o'clock, bound north.

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Steamer Aki Maru is due here from the Orient on Thursday next.

OVERCOATS

——never in our business experience have we been able to offer our trade such superior Overcoats as we are now showing.

——We spared no effort to secure the best Coats that experience, skill and money could make—and we now offer them to you for your choosing.

——the Top Coat, the medium length or Chesterfield, the long Coat, the College Coat, Storm Coats, etc.

$12, $15, up to $20 or $30

——don't forget what you've a right to expect from our line of superior Overcoats and you'll meet with no disappointment.

SEE OUR $12 RAINCOATS

The best Raincoat proposition in town for the money.

Fit-Reform

1201 GOVERNMENT ST. VICTORIA, B. C.

FOREIGN VESSELS OUST U. S. SHIPPING

Only One American Liner Now Plying Out of Puget Sound.

(Special to the Times.)

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 8.—With the purchase by the war department of the big Oriental liners, Shawmut and Tremont from the Boston Steamship Company, the American bottoms, with the exception of one, plying in the foreign trade from Puget Sound are taken. This one exception is the Great Northern Steamship Company's liner Minnesota, the largest of all American vessels on the Pacific coast.

While the places of the Shawmut and Tremont have been taken by vessels operating out of Puget Sound, their successors are of foreign register. The Shawmut and Tremont, which will be used by the government in carrying supplies to the Panama canal and later as transports, are lying at the navy yard, Puget Sound, and are in readiness for the trip around the Horn to the Atlantic coast. All they need is bunker coal and that can be taken out on short notice. The purchase price for the two big liners was $1,157,301. For the purchase of two steamships for the canal commission, Congress appropriated $1,500,000.

FERRY STEAMER CRASHES INTO WHARF

One Passenger Killed and Several Seriously Injured.

Oakland, Dec. 7.—Missing the slip in the almost impenetrable fog that had settled down upon the bay, blotting everything from view, the ferry steamer Berkeley, crowded with commuters returning home from San Francisco at 6.28 o'clock last night, crashed into the bulkhead at the end of the Oakland mole with such force that one of the passengers was killed, three seriously injured, and a score of others crushed and trampled upon in the panic that followed.

The dead: Mrs. Kate Crowley, of Berkeley, crushed about the breast and internally injured. Died at hospital.

Seriously injured: W. M. Shotz, Oakland, left leg fractured; Frank Crelli, Oakland, right arm crushed and broken; Frank S. Mills, Berkeley, shoulder dislocated and several ribs fractured.

The Berkeley with almost 1,000 passengers from Alameda, Oakland and Berkeley, left the ferry on the San Francisco side of the bay at 6 o'clock in a thick fog. So dense was the haze that it was almost impossible to see from one rail to the other on the upper decks. Keeping the steamer's siren blowing every few seconds, Capt. E. A. Johnson slowly felt his way through the thick white mist. As the vessel proceeded slowly through the haze the passengers became nervous and began to crowd to the rails on the forward and aft decks.

The fog bell on the end of the Oakland pier proved to be deceptive and the pilot miscalculated the distance. Unable to see the red and blue lights at the end of the slip he thought the slip was some distance away when suddenly the bulkhead loomed up a few feet ahead. Before the pilot could pull the signal telegraph to the engine room the Berkeley crashed into the end of the slip.

The force of the collision was so great that the heavy piling snapped off like pipe stems. Several pieces of the broken off piling fell upon passengers on the deck.

When the Berkeley hit the slip there was a wild rush for life preservers and a panic followed in which men, women and children were trampled under foot. The steamer finally succeeded in getting into the slip and landed the passengers.

Following the accident to the ferry steamer Berkeley, early in the evening, the steamer Oakland and Newwark, of the same service, came together in the fog on the bay, late last night. No damage was done.

SHIPPING REPORT

Tatoosh, Dec. 8, 8 a.m.—Light rain; wind south 14 miles; barometer, 29.71; temperature, 49.

Estevan, Dec. 8, 8 a.m.—Rain; calm; barometer, 29.73; temperature, 48. Sea smooth.

Pachena, Dec. 8, 8 a.m.—Raining; wind southeast; barometer, 29.61; temperature, 45. Sea rough.

Cape Lazo, Dec. 8, 8 a. m.—Rain; foggy; light northwest wind; barometer, 29.72; temperature, 38. Sea smooth.

Point Grey, Dec. 8, 8 a. m.—Rain; wind southeast; fog; barometer, 29.78; temperature, 39.

Cape Lazo, Dec. 8, noon—Cloudy; calm; bar. 29.91; temp. 41; sea smooth.

Point Grey, Dec. 8, noon—Raining; wind S. E.; fog; bar. 29.83; temp. 44. Passed in, steamer Iroquois at 9:40 a. m.

Tatoosh, Dec. 8, noon—Part cloudy; wind west, 22 miles; bar. 29.82; temp. 51. Passed out, steamer Yosemite, at 11:50; passed in, steamer Navadan, at 8:25 a. m.

Estevan, Dec. 8, noon—Raining; light S. E. breeze; bar. 29.87; temp. 45; sea moderate.

Pachena, Dec. 8, noon—Clear; wind S. E.; bar. 29.72; temp. 48; sea moderate.

TUG HOPE ARRIVES IN TOW OF JOLLIFFE

No Serious Damage Sustained by Boat Which Grounded in Dodd's Narrows.

Tug Hope, which went ashore on Saturday last in Dodd's Narrows, arrived in port this morning in tow of the salvage steamer William Jolliffe, and was taken to the Sayward wharf at the sawmill. At the time of the grounding the tug was going north with supplies for the logging camps at Powell Lake, opposite Texada Island. It was early morning, dark and foggy, when, just as she was rounding a spit of sand this side of Dodd's Narrows, the tug grounded. Captain McAulay was asleep at the time, the boat being in charge of the mate. The tug listed and very soon was flooded with water, although there was no particular damage to the hull. The supplies and some of the coal was unloaded on the beach, and when the Joliffe arrived she was pumped out and towed into Ladysmith, where the salvage steamer went for coal. The tug was unable to travel under her own steam as something had gone wrong with the steam pipes. She was hauled out on Turpel's ways this morning.

This is the second accident the tug has had within a short time. Only a few months ago she met with an accident at Telegraph Bay. On this occasion there seems to be little damage except to the stores, and much of these were canned goods.

NEW RUN FOR WHATCOM.

May Go on Seattle-Port Angeles Route at Beginning of Year.

Steamer Whatcom may go on the Seattle-Port Angeles route. Joshua Green, president of the International Company, visited Port Angeles recently and offered to put the Whatcom on the run if the merchants of the city would promise to give her all their trade. The Whatcom is now on the Victoria-Seattle run, but it is understood that as soon as the New Year opens the Chippewa will return to that route and the rates will be raised somewhat.

The residents of Port Angeles have for some time been seeking better communication. One proposal which met with favor was to put on a municipal steamer to call at Victoria and Seattle. No definite action has as yet been taken. The Perdita is at present on the run between that town and Seattle.

TO DOCK HERE.

Glenfarg Expected Over From Vancouver To-Morrow Evening.

Steamer Glenfarg is expected over from Vancouver to-morrow evening, and she will go into drydock Thursday morning. Just now her cargo is being unloaded at Vancouver. When the steamer has been docked she will undergo a survey, and the contract for repairs will be let. The Glenfarg is under charter to the C. P. R., but is the property of McGregor, Dow & Co.

SHIPPING GUIDE.

OCEAN STEAMSHIPS

From the Orient.

Vessel.	Due.
Aki Maru	Dec. 10
Empress of China	Dec. 19
Monteagle	Jan. 5
From Australia.	
Indravelli	Dec. 8
Makura	Dec. 17
From Mexico.	
Lonsdale	Dec. 15
From Liverpool.	
Titan	Dec. 22
From Glasgow.	
Princess Charlotte	Dec. 21
TO SAIL	
For the Orient	
Tango Maru	Dec. 8
Empress of Japan	Dec. 9
For Australia	
Makura	Jan. 1
For Mexico.	
Lonsdale	Dec. 31
For Liverpool.	
Teucer	Dec. 31

SAILING VESSELS

TO ARRIVE

Name.	Left.	Date.	For.
Puritan	Boston	Sept. 14	Vanc

COASTWISE STEAMERS

TO ARRIVE

Vessel.	Due.
From San Francisco.	
Umatilla	Dec. 11
From Skagway.	
Princess May	Dec. 11
From Northern B. C. Ports.	
Venture	Dec. 8
Queen City	Dec. 10
Princess Beatrice	Dec. 18
From West Coast.	
Tees	Dec. 9
TO SAIL.	
For San Francisco.	
Queen	Dec. 8
For Skagway.	
Princess May	Dec. 14
For Northern B. C. Ports.	
Venture	Dec. 9
Queen City	Dec. 13
For West Coast.	
Tees	Dec. 10

FERRY SERVICE

Seattle and Vancouver.

S. S. Princess Victoria leaves Victoria at midnight, arriving at Vancouver at 7.30 a. m.; returning, leaves Vancouver at 1 p. m., arriving in Victoria at 6 p. m.

S. S. Princess Royal leaves Victoria for Seattle at 11.30 p. m.; returning, leaves Seattle at 8.30 a. m., arriving in Victoria at 1 p. m.

S. S. Whatcom sails daily, except Thursday, for Seattle, at 8 p. m. Arrives daily, except Thursday, from Seattle at 2.30 p.m.

The Doctor's First Question

"How are your bowels?" This is generally the first question the doctor asks. He knows what a sluggish liver means. He knows that headaches, bilious attacks, indigestion, impure blood, are often promptly relieved by a good liver pill. Ask him if he approves of Ayer's Pills. Then follow his advice. J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass.

CONTRACT LET.

B. C. Marine Railway Company Have Commenced Repairing the Charmer.

The contract for the repair of the steamer Charmer has been let to the B. C. Marine Railway Company, and work has already commenced on her. Since she was docked on Saturday afternoon the company have been busy preparing estimates, and the contract was let yesterday. During the time that she is on the ways the present schedule of the local boats will be continued.

Nippon Yusen Kaisha liner Tango Maru left Seattle this morning and is calling here this afternoon for 23 passengers. Six of these are Hindus, the other 17 being Japanese. The steamer is carrying a full cargo.

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The buoy which got adrift from the Swiftsure reef and was picked up by the steamer Leebro in Barclay Sound, has been brought in. The upper works are gone and will have to be replaced. The moorings are also gone.

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British steamer Adato, of the Andrew Weir Company, called at quarantine this morning and passed up to Comox for bunker coal. She has just come from Mollendo, which port she left November 11th.

TIDE TABLE.

Victoria, B. C., December, 1908.

Date.	Time	Ht.	Time	Ht.	Time	Ht.	Time	Ht.
	h. m.	ft.	h. m.	ft.	h. m.	ft.	h. m.	ft.
1	2 26	2.8	10 27	8.8	16 57	6.6	19 24	6.6
2	3 25	3.5	10 45	8.8	17 47	5.5	22 48	6.3
3	4 13	4.3	11 08	8.9	18 32	4.4	.. ..	..
4	1 12	6.5	5 02	5.8	11 33	9.0	19 12	2.4
5	3 01	7.1	5 51	6.6	11 55	9.3	19 49	2.4
6	4 20	7.6	6 34	7.4	12 17	9.5	20 24	1.7
7	5 29	8.1	7 34	8.0	12 38	9.7	21 00	1.3
8	6 34	8.4	8 05	8.4	12 58	9.7	21 37	1.0
9	.. ..	..	.. ..	..	13 16	9.7	22 16	1.0
10	.. ..	..	.. ..	..	13 31	9.4	22 56	1.4
11	8 54	8.9	11 10	8.8	13 40	9.0	23 37	1.8
12	9 46	9.0	.. ..	..	.. ..	..	.. ..	..
13	0 18	2.4	10 10	8.9	.. ..	..	.. ..	..
14	0 56	3.0	10 11	8.8	.. ..	..	.. ..	..
15	1 37	3.7	10 04	8.7	.. ..	..	.. ..	..
16	2 15	4.5	10 11	8.7	19 53	5.6	21 38	2.7
17	2 50	5.2	10 26	8.7	19 09	5.1	.. ..	..
18	.. ..	..	10 46	8.9	18 52	4.4	.. ..	..
19	.. ..	..	11 08	9.1	19 09	3.6	.. ..	..
20	.. ..	..	11 31	9.4	19 36	2.7	.. ..	..
21	.. ..	..	11 55	9.7	20 08	1.9	.. ..	..
22	.. ..	..	12 31	10.0	20 43	1.2	.. ..	..
23	.. ..	..	12 50	10.2	21 22	0.7	.. ..	..
24	.. ..	..	13 24	10.3	22 04	0.5	.. ..	..
25	7 20	8.7	9 17	8.6	14 01	10.1	22 49	0.7
26	7 54	8.8	10 25	8.6	14 42	9.6	23 36	1.1
27	8 13	8.9	12 04	8.3	15 31	8.9	.. ..	..
28	0 25	1.8	8 32	9.0	13 39	7.7	16 30	8.0
29	1 14	2.7	8 54	9.1	15 06	6.8	18 25	7.0
30	1 59	3.8	9 19	9.1	16 19	5.8	21 03	6.3
31	2 40	5.0	9 45	9.2	17 19	4.7	.. ..	..

The time used is Pacific Standard, for the 120th Meridian west. It is counted from 0 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight. The figures for height serve to distinguish high water from low water.

The height is in feet and tenths of a foot above the average level of the lowest low water in each month of the year. This level is half a foot lower than the datum to which the soundings on the Admiralty chart of Victoria harbor are reduced.

JUBILEE SINGERS.

Pantages Has a Good Company of Colored Minstrels.

Coon shouting, coon melody, coon comedy delivered in a manner and of such quality that the audiences are kept continually asking for more, is a feature of the programme at Pantages, of the Southern Quartette, the members of which are all good singers and genuine colored comedians.

Montana Jack, announced as a wonderful magacian and knife thrower, did not arrive in time for the initial performance, but will be on the bill to-day.

The Fairchilds do a very pleasing singing and conversational number. They both have excellent voices and the song numbers are being greatly enjoyed.

Dorris Donner, a little miss, clever dancer, good singer and of winning stage presence, had no trouble in capturing the house with her imitation of celebreties of the stage. The picture song and biograph were very good as the usual thing for these two attractions.

LABORER RUNS AMUCK.

Kills Wife and Daughter and Wounds Another Before Being Captured.

Wakefield, Mass., Dec. 8.—Hiram L. Badger, a laborer, went violently insane to-day and during his frenzy killed his wife and little daughter, Catherine, and then running down Main street, in the centre of the town, shot promiscuously into the stores that he passed. One of the bullets wounded Fred Wheeler, a grocer's clerk, in the leg. Badger was chased and finally capture by a crowd of the town people.

What Other People Think

DAWN BREAKING.

To the Editor:—Practically the first light of dawn is on the horizon re Imperial federation, which I have been looking for for thirty years; the proposal for a change in the House of Lords, as recommended by a commission from their own ranks. I did not expect the first move from the Lords. The Commons, I expected, would have made the first stand. The cat's out of the bag now, the press is ready; the people are ready, and have been for some time; but it has fallen to the House of Lords to strike the match which will set the Empire ablaze for a consolidated Empire, and, may I ask, what grander ideal could we have in view than in handing down to the coming generation a country that does not oppress, which is mistress of the seas, and liberty for all?

GUY W. WALKER.

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PERSONAL.

W. W. Duncan entertained a few of his intimate friends last evening at his flat on Yates street.

Mr. Justice Martin resumed his official duties at the law courts this morning, being much benefited by a short rest from work.

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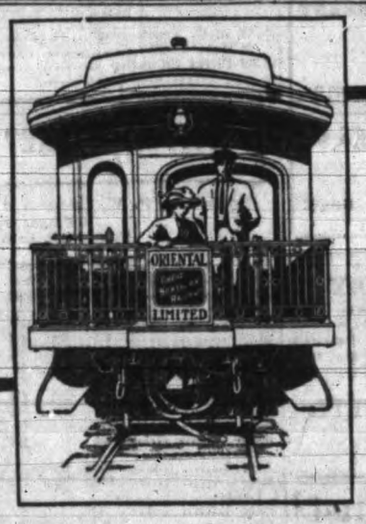

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Western Oil	8	9½
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B. C. Copper Co.	..	8
B. C. Permanent Loan	120	140
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Canadian Con. S. & R.	95	103
Canadian Northwest Oil	..	46
Cariboo Camp McK.	11	12
Diamond Vale Coal & Iron	..	15½
Dominion Trust Co.	135	..
Great West Permanent	..	110
Granby	100	..
Nicola Valley Coal & Coke	..	74
Northern Bank	90	..
Pacific Whaling	..	83
Rambler Cariboo	15	18
Royal Collieries	34	34½
Sullivan	..	2
Vancouver Ice & C. S.	120	..
Coeur D'Alene.		
Alameda	2	3½
Charles Dickens	..	11
Gertie	2½	3½
Humming Bird	5	8
Idora, pref.	3½	4
Missoula Copper	3½	3¾
Nabob	2½	3½
O. K. Cons.	..	2
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Chicago, Dec. 8.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—				
Dec.	104¾	104¾	102¾	103¾
May	108¾	109¼	107¼	108¾
July	101¾	102¼	100¾	107¾
Corn—				
Dec.	60¾	60¾	59	59¾
May	62¼	62¼	61¼	62¾
July	62	62¾	61¼	62¼
Sept.	62	62¼	62	62¼
Oats—				
Dec.	49¾	50¾	49¼	50¼
May	52	53	51¼	52¾
July	47	47¼	47	47¼
Sept.	40¾	41	40¾	40¾
Pork—				
Jan.	15.90	15.90	15.82	15.82
May	16.10	16.22	16.07	16.07
Lard—				
Dec.	....	....	....	9.07
Jan.	9.15	9.20	9.12	9.12
May	9.37	9.40	9.35	....
Short Ribs—				
Jan.	8.22	8.27	8.20	8.20
May	8.45	8.52	8.45	8.45

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New York, Dec. 8.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Jan.	8.73	8.75	8.65	8.64-68
Feb.	....	....	....	8.65-67
March	8.72	8.74	8.65	8.65-67
April	....	....	....	8.65-67
May	8.75	8.80	8.70	8.70-71
June	....	....	....	8.65-66
July	8.70	8.74	8.65	8.65-66
Aug.	8.60	8.62	8.56	8.56-57
Sept.	....	....	....	8.44-45
Oct.	8.52	8.55	8.45	8.45-46
Dec.	9.02	9.09	8.98	8.97-99

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Spokane, Dec. 8.

	Bid.	Asked.
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Copper King	2	2½
Gertie	2¾	3½
Humming Bird	6	7½
Lucky Calumet	5	6
Missoula Copper	3	3½
Monitor	36	37½
Nabob	2½	2¾
O. K. Consolidated	1	2
Oom Paul	4½	5½
Panhandle Smelter	2½	2¾
Rex	6½	9
Snowshoe	5½	5½
Snowstorm	224	226
Stewart	67	72
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ROOSEVELT'S LAST MESSAGE TO CONGRESS

(Continued from page 1.)

interstate corporations, including a simple method of account keeping, publicity, supervision of the issue of securities, abolition of rebates and of special privileges. There should be short time franchises for all corporations engaged in public business, including the corporations which get power from water rights.

There should be national as well as state guardianship of mines and forests. The labor legislation hereinafter referred to should concurrently be enacted into law.

To accomplish this means, of course, a certain increase in the use of power is needed, not the creation of the power by the central government—the power already exists; it does not have to be created. The only question is whether it shall be used or left idle—and meanwhile the corporations over which the power ought to be exercised will not remain idle. The danger to American democracy lies, not in the least in the concentration of the administration powers in responsible and accountable hands; it lies in having the power sufficiently concentrated so that no one can be held responsible to the people for its use.

Labor.

There are many matters affecting labor and the status of the wage worker to which I should like to draw your attention, but an exhaustive discussion of the problem in all its aspects is not now necessary. This administration is nearing its end, and, moreover, under our form of government the solution of the problem depends upon the action of the states as much as upon the action of the nation. Nevertheless, there are certain considerations which I wish to set before you which I hope that our people will more and more keep them in mind.

Very much of this movement must be outside of anything that can be accomplished by legislation, but legislation can do a great deal.

Postal savings banks will make it easy for the poorest to keep their savings in absolute safety. The regulations of the national highways must be such that they shall serve people with equal justice. Corporate finance must be supervised so as to make it far safer than at present for the man of small means to invest his money in stocks. There must be prohibition of child labor, diminution of woman labor, shortening of hours of all mechanical labor. Stock-watering should be prohibited and stock-gambling so far as possible discouraged. There should be a progressive inheritance tax on large fortunes. Industrial education should be encouraged.

The above is the merest sketch, hardly even a sketch in outline, of the reforms for which we should work. But there is one matter with which Congress should deal at this session. There should no longer be any paltering with the question of taking care of the wage workers, who under our present industrial system, become killed, crippled or worn out, as part of the regular incidents of any given business. The majority of wage workers must have their rights secured for them by state action, but the national government should legislate in thorough-going, far-reaching fashion, not only for all employees of the national government, but for all persons engaged in interstate commerce. The objects should and could be achieved to a measurable degree, as far as those killed or crippled are concerned by proper employees liability laws. I renew my recommendation that the principle of the eight-hour day should as rapidly, and as far as possible, be extended to the entire work being carried on by the government.

Courts and Injunctions.

I most earnestly urge upon Congress the duty of increasing the totally inadequate salaries now given to our judges. On the whole there is nobody among public servants who do as valuable work and whose moneyed reward is so inadequate compared to their work. To begin with the supreme court judges should have their salaries doubled.

It is earnestly to be desired that some method should be devised for doing away with the long delays which now obtain in the administration of justice and which operate with peculiar severity against persons of small means and favor the very criminals whom it is most desirable to punish. These long delays in the final decisions of cases make in the aggregate a crying evil and a remedy should be devised. Much of this intolerable delay is due to improper regard paid to technicalities which are mere hindrance to justice. In some noted recent cases this over-regard for technicalities has resulted in a striking denial of justice and flagrant wrong to the body politic.

At the last elections certain leaders of organized labor made a violent and sweeping attack upon the entire judiciary of the country, an attack couched in such terms as to include the most upright, honest and broadminded judges, no less than those of narrower minds and more restricted outlook. It was the kind of attack admirably fitted to prevent any successful attempt to reform abuses of the judiciary, because it gave the champions of the unjust judge their eagerly desired opportunity to shift their ground into a championship of just judges who were unjustly assailed.

Last year, before the house committee on the judiciary these same labor leaders formulated their demands, specifying that the bill contained them, refusing all compromise, stating they wished the principle of that bill or nothing. They insisted upon a provision that in a labor dispute no injunction should be against, except to protect a property right, and specifically provided that the right to carry on business should not be construed as a property right, and in a second provision their bill made legal in a labor dispute any act or agreement by, or between, two or more persons, that should not have been unlawful if done by a single person.

In other words this bill legalized blacklisting and boycotting in every form; legalizing for instance those forms of the secondary boycott which the anthracite coal strike commission so unreservedly condemned, while the right to carry on a business was explicitly taken out from under that protection which the law throws over property. The demand was made that there should be trial by jury in contempt cases, thereby most seriously impairing the authority of the courts. All this represented a course of policy which, if carried out, would mean the enthronement of class privilege in its crudest and most brutal form, and the destruction of one of the most essential functions of the judiciary in all civilized lands.

The violence of the crusade for this legislation and its complete failure illustrated the two truths which it is essential our body politic should grasp.

The power of injunction is a great equitable remedy which should on no account be destroyed. But safeguards should be erected against its abuse. I believe that some such provisions as those I advocated a year ago for checking the abuse of the issuance of temporary injunctions should be adopted, in substance. Provisions should be made that no injunction or temporary restraining order should be issued otherwise than on notice except where irreparable injury would otherwise result, and in such cases a hearing on the merits of the order should be held within a short fixed period, and if not then continued after hearing it should forthwith lapse. Decisions should be recorded immediately and the chance of delay minimized in every way. Moreover, I believe that the procedure should be sharply defined and the judge required minutely to state the particulars both of his action and his reasons therefor, so that congress can, if it desires, examine and investigate the same.

Conservation of Natural Resources.

If there is any one duty, which more than another, we owe to our children and our children's children to perform at once, it is to save the forests of this country, for they constitute the first and most important element in the conservation of the natural resources of the country.

There are, of course, two kinds of natural resources. One is the kind which can only be used as part of a process of exhaustion. This is true of mines, natural oil and gas wells, and the like. The other, and of course ultimately by far the most important, includes the resources which can be improved in the process of wise use. The soil, the rivers and the forests come under this heading. Any really civilized nation will so use all of these three great national assets that the nation will have their benefit in the future.

All serious students of the question are aware of the great damage that has been done to the Mediteranean counties of Europe, Asia and Africa by deforestation. What has thus happened in Northern China. What has happened in Central Asia, in Palestine, in North Africa, in parts of the Mediterranean countries of Europe, will surely happen in our country if we do not exercise that wise foresight which should be one of the chief marks of any people calling itself civilized. Nothing should be permitted to stand in the way of the preservation of forests, and it is criminal to permit individuals to purchase a little gain for themselves through the destruction of forests, when this destruction is fatal to the well-being of the whole country in the future.

Inland Waterways.

Action should be begun forthwith during the present session of congress for the improvement of our inland waterways; action which will result in giving us not only navigable but navigated rivers. We have spent hundreds of millions of dollars upon these waterways, yet the traffic on nearly all of them is steadily declining. This condition is the direct result of the absence of any comprehensive and far-seeing plan of waterway improvement. The plan which promises the best and quickest results is that of a permanent commission authorized to co-ordinate the work of all the government departments relating to waterways, and to frame and supervise the execution of a comprehensive plan.

The time for playing with our waterways is past. The country demands results.

Postal Savings Banks.

I again renew my recommendation for postal savings banks for depositing savings with the security of the government behind them. The object is to encourage thrift and economy in the wage-earner and person of moderate means.

Inter-state Fisheries.

I call the attention of Congress to the importance of the problem of the fisheries in the inter-state waters. On the Great Lakes we are now, under the very wise treaty of April of this year, endeavoring to come to an international agreement for the preservation and satisfactory use of the fisheries of these waters which cannot otherwise be achieved. Lake Erie, for example, has the richest fresh water fisheries in the world, but it is now controlled by the status of two nations, four states and one province, and in this province, by different ordinances in different counties, all these political divisions work at cross purposes, and in no case can they achieve protection to the fisheries on one hand and justice to the localities and individuals on the other.

The case is similar in Puget Sound. But the problem is quite as pressing on the inter-state waters of the United States. The salmon fisheries of the Columbia river are now but a fraction of what they were 25 years ago, and what they would be now if the United States government had taken complete charge of them by intervening between Oregon and Washington. During these 25 years, the fishermen of each state have naturally tried to take all they could get, and the two legislatures have never been able to agree on joint action of any kind adequate in a degree for the protection of the fisheries. At the moment, the fishing on the Oregon side is practically closed, while there is no limit on the Washington side of any kind. Meanwhile very few salmon reach the spawning grounds, and probably four years hence the fisheries will amount to nothing. The fisheries of the Mississippi, the Ohio and the Potomac are also in a bad way. For this there is no remedy except for the United States to control and legislate for the inter-state fisheries as part of the business of inter-state commerce.

Foreign Affairs.

This nation's foreign policy is based on the theory that right must be done between nations precisely as between individuals, and in our actions for the last ten years we have in this matter proven our facts by our deeds. We have behaved and are behaving towards other nations as in private life an honorable man would behave towards his fellows.

Ocean Mail Lines.

I again recommend the extension of the Ocean Mail Act of 1891 so that satisfactory American ocean mail lines to South America, Asia, the Philippines and Australia may be established. The creation of such steamship lines should be the natural corrollary of the voyage of the battleship fleet. It should precede the opening of the Panama canal. Even under favorable conditions several years must elapse before such lines can be put into operation. Accordingly I urge that Congress act promptly, where foresight already shows that action sooner or later will be inevitable.

Hawaii.

I call particular attention to the territory of Hawaii. The importance of these islands is apparent, and the need of improving their condition and developing their resources is urgent. In recent years industrial conditions upon the Islands have radically changed. The importation of coolie labor has practically ceased, and there is now developing such a diversity in agricultural products as to make possible a change in the land conditions of the territory, so that an opportunity may be given to the small land owners similar to that on the mainland.

To aid these changes, the national government must provide the necessary harbor improvements on each island so that the agricultural products can be carried to the markets of the world. The coastwise shipping laws should be amended to meet the special needs of the islands, and the alien contract labor law should be so modified in its application as to enable American and European labor to be brought thither.

We have begun to improve Pearl harbor for a naval base and to provide the necessary military fortifications for the protection of the islands, but I cannot too strongly emphasize the necessity of appropriations for the purposes of such an amount as will, within the shortest possible time, make these islands practically impregnable. It is useless to develop the industrial resources of the islands and establish there a base of supplies for our naval and merchant fleets unless we insure, as far as human ingenuity can, their safety from foreign seizure.

Porto Rico and Cuba.

I again recommend that American citizenship be conferred upon the people of Porto Rico. In Cuba our occupancy will cease in about two months' time. The Cubans have in orderly manner elected their own government authorities, and the island will be turned over to them. Our occupation on this occasion has lasted a little over two years, and Cuba has thriven and prospered under it. Our earnest hope and one desire is that the people of the island shall now govern themselves with justice; that peace and order may be secure. We will gladly help them to this end, but I would solemnly warn them to remember the great truth that the only way a people can permanently avoid being governed from without is to show that they both can and will govern themselves from within.

The Philippines.

Real progress towards self government is being made in the Philippines. The gathering of a Philippine legislative party and Philippine assembly marks a process absolutely new in Asia. The Filipino people, through their officials, are, therefore, making real steps in the direction of self-government. I hope and believe that these steps mark the beginning of a course which will continue till the Filipinos become fit to decide for themselves whether they decide to be an independent nation.

The Army.

As regards the army, I call attention to the fact that while our junior officers and listed men are slated very high, the present system of promotion by seniority results in bringing into the higher grades many men of mediocre capacity who have but a short time to serve. No man should regard it as his vested right to rise to the highest rank in the army any more than in any other profession. A bill is now before Congress having for its object to secure the promotion of officers to various grades at reasonable ages, through a process of selection by boards of officers, of the least efficient for retirement with a percentage of their pay depending upon length or service. The bill, although not accomplishing all that should be done, is a long step in the right direction, and I earnestly recommend its passage or that of a more completely effective measure.

Now that the organized militia—the national guard—has been incorporated with the army as part of the national forces, it behooves the government to do every reasonable thing in its power to perfect its efficiency. There should be legislation to provide a complete plan for organizing the great body of volunteers, besides the regular army and national guard, when war has come. Congressional assistance should be given those who are endeavoring to promote rifle practice, so that our men, in the service or out of it, may know how to use the rifles. To meet this we should encourage rifle practice among schoolboys, and, indeed, among all classes, as well as in the military service, by every means in our power.

The Navy.

I approve the recommendations of the general board for the increase of the navy, calling especial attention to the need of additional destroyers and colliers, and, above all, of the four battleships. It is desirable to complete as soon as possible a squadron of eight battleships of the best existing type. Nothing better for the navy from every standpoint has ever occurred than the cruise of the fleet around the world. The improvement of the ships in every way has been extraordinary, and they have gained far more experience in battle tactics than they would have gained if they had stayed in Atlantic waters.

I take this opportunity publicly to state my appreciation of the way in which, in Japan, in Australia, in New Zealand, and in all the states of South America, the battleship fleet has been received on its practice voyage around the world. The American government cannot too strongly express its appreciation of the abounding and generous hospitality shown our ships in every port they have visited.

Interest in Message.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 8.—Interest in both Houses of Congress centred to-day in the President's message, the reading of which began in the Senate at 12.15, just a quarter of an hour after the Senate had convened, as did the House a few minutes later. The galleries of both Houses were well filled, and almost all the seats of senators and members were occupied by their owners. All were supplied with printed copies of the message, which contained 44 printed pages, with an elaborate appendix accompanied by numerous illustrations showing the results of the work of the forestry bureau.

Senators and members gave comparatively little attention to the reading of the message at the desk, but most of them immediately busied themselves with the printed copies before them. In these copies much interest was shown.

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GOLD SEEKERS ARE LOST IN THE NORTH

Evidence Received by Hudson's Bay Manager Points to Drowning of Men.

Superintendent Hussey yesterday received a communication from friends of Harry Phipps and Matthew Trimmon, two young Englishmen who are supposed to have met their death while en route to the placer diggings in the Ingenika country. The writer of the letter asks for information of the missing men, and adds a request that their disappearance be inquired into by the police.

Mr. Hussey was this morning waited upon by James Thompson, manager of the Hudson's Bay Company here, and informed by Mr. Thompson that Alexander Murray, the Hudson's Bay agent in the district, had sent word that the two horses and the supplies of the men were found on the banks of the Findlay river about the beginning of November. The stores were taken charge of by the Hudson's Bay agent, and the two horses, which were found hobbled, were given to two men, Thomas Wilson and Alfred Luffman, on condition that they would hand them over to the government agent at Hazelton, to which place they were making. The reason of the men being given the horses is that no feed could be obtained for them at Fort George. The supplies are in the hands of the company's agent and will be kept for the benefit of the relatives when application is made in due time for them through the proper authorities.

Mr. Murray in his letter sates that there is no doubt but that the men were drowned and their bodies are probably held in the water beneath a drift pile in the Findlay river. The spot where the horses were discovered in hobbles is about twenty miles from Fort Graham. Mr. Thompson, who has been through the whole of the country where the fatality occurred, says the men had evidently left Fort Graham and were making their way along the Findlay river to the Ingenika diggings at the time.

From a clipping from an English paper received with the letter from the men's relatives by Superintendent Hussey, the news of the loss of the men says that they had set out from Edmonton in March last for the new diggings. They had with them four horses and an outfit. Their arrival at Fort Graham is noted, but nothing is known of them after leaving that place. The dispatch says the camp was discovered by Indians who for several weeks touched nothing, being under the impression that the men were prospecting in the neighborhood. From the two reports there is very little discrepancy with the exception of the number of horses. The value of the goods in the hands of the Hudson's Bay agent is about $50. J. Thompson will make a formal report of the matter as informed by Mr. Murray to Superintendent Hussey, who will communicate with the relatives of the two young men.

ACROSS AFRICA IN AN AUTO.

Lieutenant Graetz started from Dar-es-Salaam, the capital of German East Africa, more than a year ago to cross Africa in his automobile. He has not yet reached the Atlantic in German Southwest Africa, but he has made two-thirds of the journey, and at last accounts he hoped to accomplish his purpose before the end of this year. He has spent much of the time waiting for months at one place or another in the wilderness to receive from Europe duplicate parts of his machine that had broken down. Then he has been detained for weeks on the banks of rivers waiting for the water to fall so that he might cross, and his journey has been greatly lengthened by his efforts to circumvent obstructions in the way. He has often been compelled to tramp miles ahead to decide upon the best route. He has climbed mountains to spy out the lay of the land. He has bridged rivers, and built corduroy roads across swamps.

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A Barbarous Father.
A Parisian Street Scene.
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WEEK DECEMBER 7th.
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By the kind invitation of His Honor the Lieut.-Governor and Mrs. Dunsmuir,
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ANNUAL CINDERELLA BALL
For Children and Young People,
—AT—
GOVERNMENT HOUSE
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MONDAY, DEC. 28th, 1908.
From 7.30 p. m. to 2 a. m.
The patronage of the public is cordially invited.
Tickets, Dancing Adults, $1.50.
Children over seven, $1.00.
Parents, and children under seven, 50c.

REVIEWED WORK OF THE ORPHANS' HOME

Ladies' Committee of Institution Held Meeting Yesterday Afternoon.

The usual monthly meeting of the ladies' committee of the British Columbia Protestant Orphans' Home was held at the home yesterday afternoon. The ladies present were Mesdames McTavish, Higgins, McCollough, Munsie, Langley, C. F. Todd, Huckell, Shakespeare, Toller, Miss Brailo.

The meeting was opened as usual by prayer, after which the minutes were read and adopted.

Final reports relative to the chryranthemum show were detailed, the net results being $236.65, and expenditure $26.85. The ladies expressed gratitude to all who assisted so generously in this event.

The chief business arose from a discussion on the Christmas tree event, which will be held at the home on Tuesday, December 29th, from 3 to 6 p. m., when, the public are cordially invited to assist by their presence and donations to make it the success it has always proved in past years. Bills were paid amounting to $203.50.

Mrs. Shakespeare and Miss Brale were appointed visitors for the month.

A splendid donation list was read, and the following interesting report was received from the visiting ladies:

Madame President and Ladies: I submit herewith the report of the visiting committee for the month of November.

The first business of importance this month was the chrysanthemum show. The ladies in charge worked very hard and we are sure felt well repaid by the grand success of the affair, it being considered the most successful one yet held, and, being ambitious, we sincerely hope the one next year will prove a still better money-maker.

We visited the home five times during November and found things in the best of order. On our first visit all hands were busy preparing for Thanksgiving Day. A large number of tempting-looking pumpkin pies had just come out of the oven, and the table was laden with new-made bread. The doyleys left from the chrysanthemum show were pressed out and used for decorating the tables—it is plain to be seen that nothing is wasted in this establishment.

On our second visit we found the matron and children busy mending the road. It being Saturday they were all home from school—other days all the children, but three, attend school. On entering the kitchen the first thing to attract the eye was an immense dish of apple sauce all ready for Sunday supper. In the bedrooms we found more blankets were needed for the winter, and procured six pairs.

The spring mattresses were in great need of immediate repair so we have had twenty braced and restretched, and a few of the others braced.

We are very thankful to be able to report all the children in good heatlh. Two of the youngest had to spend an uncomfortable hour at the hospital having their tonsils attended to, but as misery loves company, perhaps it made it easier for them being two instead of one.

On Saturday, the 28th, Mrs. Tye invited the children to the anti-tuberculosis fair in the A. O. U. W. hall. Thirty-three were taken and had a glorious time, each child was given ten cents to spend; a present off the Christmast tree; ice cream and cake, and even the little ones at home were not forgotten, for a little present was sent to each one. The children will not forget the treat, and who knows but in a few years they may be able to help in this good work.

The manager of the Victoria theatre sent a very kind invitation for the children to attend the moving picture show. This was greatly appreciated, and the hours counted until Saturday should arrive. Thitry-five of the children were taken and they will remember Saturday, December the 5th, for a long time to come.

LOUISA TODD,
CATHERINE MUNSIE.

The following donations for November were reported:

Tony Silvene, 100 lbs. sugar, 14 lbs. butter; St. Michael's church, Lake district, per Mr. Trickey, fruit and vegetables; St. Saviour's church, per Rev. C. S. Cooper, fruit and vegetables; Mr. McRea, Cedar Hill, sack of pears; Chas. Hayward, 2 sacks pears, 1 sack apples; Dr. Holden and Dr. Lewis Hall, professional services; A Friend, per Porter & Sons, 2 sacks pears; A Friend, per Porter & Sons, clothing; F. Angus, St. Charles street, 2 sacks apples; Mr. King, Cedar Hill, 4 sacks potatoes, 1 sack apples, cakes; J. E. Painter, 1 load of hardwood; Mrs. and Miss Adronach, clothing and $5 cash; Mrs. G. W. Haynes, John street, 2 sacks apples; Mrs. H. Ruckle, Salt Spring Island, 10 sacks potatoes; Mrs. C. F. Todd, rugs and mats; Mrs. W. Munsie, shoes and clothing; Mr. and Miss Gass, stockings, clothing, box of apples; Mrs. Huckle, Jr., dressmaking; Mrs. Beecham Tye and ladies of the Anti-tuberculosis Society, invitations to thirty-five children to visit the fair and have tea; Mrs. Beecham Tye gave each child ten cents to spend; St. Andrew's Young People's Society, per G. S. Brown, 1 sack wheat flakes, 3 lbs. tea, 16 lbs. raisins, 6 jars jam and jelly, corn starch, chocolate, biscuits, cakes, bread, sugar, fruit and candy; Times and Colonist, daily papers; Mrs. Devereaux, Bay street, 2 sacks pears; C. Denham, Victoria theatre, invitations to all the children to see the moving pictures; Mrs. W. Fleet Robertson, $2.50; Mrs. Gill, $2; A Friend, $2.50.

The pupils of the kindergarten classes, per Miss M. Penwill and Miss Irwin, for Thanksgiving, books, toys, games, candies, fruit, cakes, biscuits, jams, jellies and clothing. Names of the pupils: Jack Mehrram, 50 cents; Charles Humber, Donald Lamont, Harry Honson, Arthur Snelling, Malcolm Dickson, Agnes Kingham, Helen Tapscott, Noel LeMastre, Donald Lawson, Grace Hall, Amy Brice, Helen Forman, Kenneth Lawson, Victor Hall, Leslie Mitchell, Harold Wilson, Billy Wilson, Harrington McIntosh, Haslam Bale, Helen Graham, Majorie Graham, Vivian Combe, Allan McLean, Donald McLean, David Williams, Wilson Mitchell, Tommy Becket, Eleanor Gresley, Thurley Wilkerson.

After the closing prayer the committee meeting adjourney.

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MOLNAR'S PLAY COMING.

H. W. Savage's Production of "The Devil" Will be Seen at the Victoria To-morrow Night.

About every ten years the history of the stage shows that there comes some particular play which, out of all proportion, attracts the theatregoer beyond all its competitors. "Trilby" was such a play. "Florodora" accomplished similar results in a musical way. More recently "The Merry Widow" has swept over the civilized world and now comes Franz Molnar's Hungarian play "The Devil."

When the news of "The Devil" success in Budapesth was received, nearly every American manager immediately cabled his foreign representative to secure the rights for this country. Henry W. Savage, however, who was in Europe at the time, forestalled all these efforts. It is his production that will be seen at the Victoria theatre to-morrow night. It will be presented by a splendid company, by permission of Mr. Savage, who insists the cast and production shall be equal, in every way, to the home company now turning crowds away nightly at the Garden theatre, New York.

WESTERN PLAY.

"Arizona" Will be Presented at the Victoria Theatre Thursday Night.

Hollis E. Cooley's great production of "Arizona," which will be presented at the Victoria theatre on Thursday night, is so well known that it seems superfluous to recite the story again.

"Arizona" is without doubt the best play which Augustus Thomas has ever written. The story of "Arizona" is interesting throughout the entire four acts, and there is not a moment from the rise to the fall of the curtain when the interest of the spectator flags. The characters are all taken from life and are a correct portrayal of the people who go to make up the inhabitants of the stage from which the play takes its name. The scenes and incidents are laid in the beautiful Aravaipa valley, the centre of interest being the ranch of a well-to-do cattleman and the home of Colonel Bonham and the 11th U. S. Cavalry at Fort Grant. The picturesque scenery is all painted from sketches made on the spot by the eminent painter, Frederick Remington, and such has been the success of the painter in reproducing the same, that one can almost feel the aroma of the cactus and sage brush.

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6,000 MILES TO BE WEDDED.

Vancouver Bridegroom Meets London Bride in St. John, N. B., Where Nuptials Are Celebrated.

Within four hours of setting foot on Canadian soil, Miss G. Pierson, of London, England, became the bride of A. E. Hagger, of Vancouver. The lady was a passenger on the Allan line steamship Victorian, which arrived at noon, and, and awaiting her was Mr. Hagger, who, since his arrival in the city last Thursday to meet his bride, has made all arrangements for the wedding, says the St. John Telegraph of November 30th.

The ceremony, which was performed by Rev. G. A. Kuhring, the rector, took place in the Stone church at 3.30 p. m. Miss Pierson carried a bouquet of white roses, presented to her in token of welcome to Canada.

It had been expected by the groom that his bride to be would reach here on Saturday and the Sunday wedding was because of the lady's arrival being a day late.

Mr. and Mrs. Hagger, who are staying at the Royal, will leave on the C. P. R. this evening for their home in Vancouver, where Mr. Hagger is the representative of a large English firm.

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COUNCIL WILL AID PUBLICITY CAMPAIGN

Decides to Finance Tourist Association for Month of January.

The city council has decided to finance the Tourist Association for the month of January, and will take up the larger question of a financial arrangement for the future.

This statement was made at the meeting of the council last evening by Ald. Cameron, chairman of the finance committee.

Ald. Cameron thought the press had been unfair in its comments on the silence of the members of council at the conference on Friday night. The city council thoroughly appreciated the work of the association during the year, the influential nature of the deputation which waited on them, and the fact that much of the work had been voluntarily done. But possibly the deputation did not know that on Friday night, on which the conference had been held, instead of on Monday, the time was limited; and, as a matter of fact, the aldermen had sat till half-past eleven that night, and therefore did not feel like taking up any time, however favorable they might be to what was said. Ald. Cameron continued:

"The council feel that, under the circumstances, we should guarantee the finances of the association during the month of January, and we will shortly take up the matter of making some arrangements as to the future financing of the association. It has been suggested that this might be a matter for a referendum, but whether or not we have come to the decision I have stated."

The council confirmed this statement.

SOCIAL EVENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Small, of Seattle, are visiting the city.

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Harry Wright, gold commissioner of Nelson, is visiting the city.

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James Nelson left yesterday for New York en route for the old country.

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E. E. Mahon and J. H. Steele, of Vancouver, are on a visit to Victoria.

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Col. "Sam" Hughes, M. P. of Lindsay, paid a short visit to Victoria yesterday.

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J. M. Robinson, of Summerland, who has been prominently identified with the founding of that town, is in the city.

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H. C. Brewster, M. P. P., left this morning for Nanaimo. He will visit the west coast and intermediate points before returning to the city.

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Mr. and Mrs. A. Weldon, of Winnipeg, who have been tournig the coast and were recent guests here, left this morning en route for the Prairie city.

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W. D. Smith and W. Sweeney left yesterday for New York, where they will sail by the White Star liner for a three months' trip to the old country.

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Miss Rowlands, who has been the guest of relatives here for some time, left this morning en route for her home in Kamloops.

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J. A. W. Fraser, a well known rancher from the foothills west of Calgary, who, with Mrs. Fraser, is touring the coast, is at present visiting the city.

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A. S. Goodeve, of Rossland, the newly elected member for Kootenay in the Dominion House of Commons, is in town for a few days.

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Mrs. Marion Beauchamp and Mr. William Cooper, both of Victoria, were united in marriage last evening in the vestry of the First Congregational church, Rev. Herman Carson performing the ceremony.

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To-morrow will be guest day at the Alexandra Club, and a most enjoyable time is promised all who attend. A surprise of some sort is promised, the nature of which has not yet been made public. However, a little bird has whispered that it will be a pleasant one.

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The members of St. Mary's sodality intend holding a sale of work in Institute hall on Saturday, December 19th, in order to raise funds for the furnishing of a room in the new wing of St. Joseph hospital in memory of the late Sister Mary Lorette. A most enjoyable time is promised. Tea will be served during the afternoon, and there will be a special candy stall for the little folks. A first class musical programme has been arranged for both afternoon and evening. The fancy work booths will be most attractive, and the goods, all of which are suitable for Christmas presents, moderately priced.

THE EMPRESS THEATRE.

Last Night for the Present Programme—A Change To-morrow.

The Empress theatre has initiated a change in providing a new programme every second night. For to-night the same programme as last evening will be presented. To-morrow night a complete change will be made. The moving pictures for to-night are as follows: Salome; A Barbarous Father; A Parisian Street Scene; An Affair of Honor; An Attack Upon the Mail Carrier; The Unlucky Substitute; The Strength of Cheese.

In addition to this, Harry A. Bell will sing "I Don't Want the Morning to Come."

The Empress by its splendid programme is attracting a steady patronage.

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A GOOD ENTERTAINMENT.

"Texas" Draws a Fair Audience at Victoria Theatre.

The romantic comedy drama "Texas" by J. Mauldin Feigl, was produced at the Victoria theatre last night before a fair audience, which awarded due appreciation to the work done by the even and capable company. It was worthy of a better audience.

"Texas" is not as strong a play as "The Squaw Man," being lighter in construction and not carrying the same weight of pathos. The story hinges round a gold mine on a Texas ranch, an upright cowpuncher and a cattle thief, with a love theme interwoven through it. The introduction of the exaggerated English character provided some humor, while the courtship of Mrs. Peppercorn, by Oklahama, supplied the backbone of the lighter touches.

Nora Selby, as Texas West, and Frank Conway, as Freshwater Jack, are the two principal characters of the play, and these acquitted themselves with success. The support of the rest of the company was up to the standard set by the principals and the whole provided an interesting and faithful picture of the cowboy life as it is lived on the plains.

HOCH DER KEISER!

Man Who Recited Poem That Created International Stir Is Dead.

New York, Dec. 8.—Rear-Admiral Joseph B. Coglan, who died at his home in New Rochelle, N. Y., on Dec. 5th, was the man who, in 1899, ruffled the Kaiser's feelings by reciting the celebrated poem entitled "Hoch Der Kaiser!" The occasion was a dinner at the Union League Club, and the author of the verses, which follow, was attached to the staff of a Montreal newspaper:

Hoch Der Kaiser!
Der Kaiser of dis Fatherland
Und Gott on high all dings command,
Ve two—ach! Don't you understand,
Myself—und Gott!

Vile some men sing der power divine,
Mine soldiers sing "Die Wacht am Rhein,"
Und drink der health in a Rheinish wine
Of Me—und Gott!

Dere's France, she swaggers all aroundt,
She's ausgespielt.
To much, me think, she don't amoundt;
Myself—und Gott!

She vill not dare to fight again,
But if she shouldt, I'll show her blain
Dot Elsass und (in Franch) Lorraine
Are Mein—by Gott!

Dere's grandma dinks she is nicht small beer,
Midt Boers and such she interferes;
She'll learn none owns dis hemisphere
But Me—und Gott!

She dinks, good frau, some ships she's got
Und soldiers midt der scarlet goat.
Ach! We could knock dem! Pouf! Like dot,
Myself—mit Gott!

In dime of peace brebare for wars,
I bear der spear und helm of Mars,
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PIGGERIES UNDER BAN OF INSPECTOR

Oak Bay Council Will Deal With Unsanitary Buildings.

Four Chinese piggeries have come under the ban of the sanitary inspector of the Oak Bay municipality and if that official is supported by the roads, sewers and bridges committee, to which the matter has been referred, the undesirable institutions will have to go. The report of the sanitary inspector showed in the case of the piggery on Myrtle road, that the pigs are kept in a building, part of which is used as a dwelling, and that it is old and unsanitary. Hop Hing, on Hampshire road, keeps his premises clean on the surface, but the buildings are old, the floors bad, and the place thoroughly unsanitary. Hee Ho's place on Monterey avenue is in much the same condition, while Wah Yune's piggery on Cranmore road is not as bad as the others, but is offensive and unsanitary and a nuisance to the neighbors.

Councillor Noble said that several things would have to be considered in dealing with these piggeries and he moved that the matter go to the committee. This was carried.

Another matter in which the sanitary inspector was interested was brought forward by the reading of a letter from the city sanitary inspector, offering to disinfect such houses as necessary from time to time for a retaining fee of $10 a month, or at the regular rate of $5 a house. Mr. Lancaster stated he had a similar arrangement with the Esquimalt district and also with the South Saanich municipality. After some little discussion it was decided to inform Mr. Lancaster that the municipality already had a sanitary officer and he was expected to do that kind of work whenever it might be needed.

A discussion in regard to an open ditch on Foul Bay road was introduced by Acting Reeve Henderson. It was pointed out by some of the councillors that this ditch had already caused the death of one child and that a man had fallen in there during a dark night and spoiled a new suit of clothes. The matter was left to a committee to again try to induce the city to abate the nuisance.

The matter of repairs to Oak Bay avenue, opposite the end of Mitchell street, was again brought up, no action having been taken to improve the road by the tramway company. The clerk reported having interviewed Mr. Goward, when the latter claimed that his company was not responsible under the act. It was decided to again meet the tramway company for the purpose of inducing them to raise the level of the track at that place so that the municipality might get rid of the low place.

William Graham, of Maywood, wrote asking to be given charge of the new rock-crushing outfit when it arrived. He gave testimonials, showing that his work in other places had been entirely satisfactory. He stated that he was just closing an engagement with the Saanich municipality. This was referred to the roads and bridges committee.

Arthur Gore asked $10 a month rent for the use of his lots where the municipal rock was piled, that being the amount which he understood was being received by the owners adjoining. This also was referred to a committee.

Two letters were received from H. F. Hewitt, one asking that a small ditch be constructed to keep the water from flowing over his property on Prospect road, and the other asking the council to assume the responsibility of moving the surface drain on Beach drive, which crossed his property. Both letters were referred to the roads and bridges committee.

A letter from the special committee of the Victoria Board of Trade, asking the municipality to appoint a representative to confer with them on the matter of the advertising of the resources of Vancouver Island, was read. The idea met with the approval of the council and Councillor Newton was appointed to act on behalf of the Oak Bay municipality.

An invitation from the Union of Municipalities to send a representative to the next gathering at Vernon on January 6th did not meet with much favor, but a courteous reply was ordered to be sent.

The expropriation of the strip of land fronting on Alexandra Park subdivision will be proceeded with at once, the land company having agreed to the terms laid down by the council.

A petition for a four-foot sidewalk on the east side of Foul Bay road, between Oak Bay avenue and Cadboro Bay road, was presented and the usual course will be taken in preparation for proceeding with the work. The same action was taken with a petition for water and sewer mains on Chaucer and Byron streets and part of Foul Bay road. These sewers will flow into the city main on Foul Bay road.

The city has been asked to sell a portion of land to the municipality on Cadboro Bay road. The clerk reported having written several times to the city engineer in regard to the matter, but there was still some misunderstanding, although the city council is favorable to selling. This land, it is understood, is for school or other municipal purposes whenever the municipality shall be in need of additional buildings.

Clerk Floyd again asked for a map of the municipality as a guide to him in his work, especially in the matter of making the assessments. It was decided, however, to leave this in the hands of next year's council.

TWO SERVICES IN 44 YEARS.

Rev. Dr. Robson Visits Hastings and Preaches in Schoolhouse.

Vancouver, Dec. 7.—Forty-four years between church services is a long time, even in the expansive recollection of Rev. Dr. Robson. Away back in 1864, in the month of December, the then pioneer missionary of the Methodist church paid his first visit to Hastings, and there on a Sunday afternoon, held a service at Barber's camp. The men who attended that service were in that day engaged in building a road from Westminster to Hastings.

Yesterday Dr. Robson dropped around the second time. He was told by the oldest resident that in all the intervening years there has never been held a church service in that district. The one 44 years ago was the first service of any church held on Burrard Inlet. Yesterday, at the request of a number of the residents of the section, Dr. Robson preached in the schoolhouse. It was arranged that services will be held every Sunday afternoon hereafter. Arrangements having also been made for the purchase of a block of land and the erection of a church, Dr. Robson preached yesterday from the same text he took on the occasion of his previous visit.

Dr. Robson yesterday morning gave an address at a memorial service held in Central Methodist church. Rev. Mr. Turner and Rev. A. M. Sanford also assisted in the service. It was in memory of three leaders of the church who have died recently within a few weeks of each other. They are Rev. Dr. Courtice, for several years editor of the Christian Guardian; Rev. Dr. Withrow, who handled the Sunday publications for the church, and Rev. Dr. A. R. Bain, for many years a professor in Toronto university.

MAYOR KEARY RE-ELECTED.

New Westminster, Dec. 7.—Mayor Keary, of New Westminster, was re-elected by acclamation to-day for next year. This will be his seventh consecutive term as mayor.

CHINAMAN DIES FROM INJURIES.

Nanaimo, Dec. 7.—The Chinaman injured at Duncan on Thursday last by the premature explosion of dynamite, which killed two of his compatriots, died yesterday in the Chemainus hospital from the injuries received from the explosion.

HOW B. C. WAS SAVED FOR CANADA

Promptitude of British Government Prevented Province Belonging to U. S. A.

Ottawa, Dec. 8.—James White, Dominion geographer, in an address to the Canadian Club of Ottawa, a few days ago, on the boundaries of Canada, put a somewhat different aspect on the generally accepted opinion in Canada that British diplomacy had unduly sacrificed Canadian interests in the negotiations of the Ashburton treaty of 1841, and the Oregan treaty of 1846. Mr. White after succinctly reviewing the history of the negotiations leading up to the arbitration of the dispute respecting the boundaries of Maine and New Brunswick, declared that in the negotiations of the treaty fixing the boundary as at present, the cardinal principle of effective occupation had practically governed the decision of the two governments. He was of opinion that all of the facts being considered Lord Ashburton had gained as much as could be expected.

In the case of the treaty of 1846, settling the boundaries of British Columbia and awarding Oregon to the United States, this same principle of effective occupation had been adhered to and had the British government, said Mr. White, delayed the negotiation of the treaty for a few years until the Fraser river gold rush had brought thousands of American miners into British Columbia, the whole of that province might have passed to the United States.

In respect to Canada's present dispute with Newfoundland over the Labrador boundary which is to be argued before the Privy Council soon, Mr. White noted that the British Act of 1825, Newfoundland was given jurisdiction and the right to collect customs duties on the Labrador coast as far north as Saglek bay. The issue now to be decided is to determine the depth of hinterland from the coast, which jurisdiction along the coast involves.

ATE HER OWN HAIR.

New Orleans Child Was Also Fond of Mud Pies.

New York, Dec. 8.—A dispatch to the Tribune from New Orleans says: Pearl Fleming, eight years old, who developed an abnormal appetite through the habit of eating mud pies, died in the Charity hospital here as the result of swallowing nearly all the hair from her own head. The case puzzled the surgeons, who were unable to diagnose the malady. It was observed that her hair was disappearing, but no trace of it could be found until an autopsy was performed, when the stomach was found to resemble a cushion, the cavity being lined with human hair.

RICH ORE STRIKE.

Kaslo, Dec. 7.—News of another rich strike of ore comes from Sandon. This time it is Dayton group, known as the Ya-Ya, on which, reliable report says, two feet of clean ore has been cut into. The Dayton property is located on the Sandon side of the Payne, and consists of four crown granted claims. It was located in the early days of the Slocan silver excitement. Most of the development had been confined to the Altooan claim, the tunnel portal of which is within a few feet of the main K. & S. track. About 450 feet was driven on the lead, but only a zinc-iron mineral was exposed. This was of little value at that time. About two years ago Dr. W. E. Gomm took a lease and bond on the group, and changed the name to Ya-Ya.

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"The Statue"

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CHAPTER VII. (Continued.)

At each of the equal angles stands a church, for rest and meditation; indeed, save a music hall or so, the triangle lacks nothing. It has, in particular, a perfect mania for banks, insurance offices, bucket-shops (hence its remarkable cleanliness), hosiers, jewelers, chop-houses, and tea-houses. The entire male population seems to spend its time drawing cheques and directors' fees; insuring its life; buying neckties, clocked-socks, necklaces and bracelets; and consuming chops and Ceylon tea (with sultana). Except waitresses, typists and charwomen, there is no female population.

Now between Lombard street and King William street lies Crocker's Alley, one of the hundred and one narrow and suspicious lanes of which the triangle is chiefly made up. Most of the lanes lead from Lombard street to one side or another of the triangle. But Croker's Alley leads through a ravine of buildings devoted solely to the sale of buckets, to nothing but the Regalia; its asphalted course stops degnitely at the Regalia. The Regalia is the oldest chop-house in London; there are twelve other oldest chop-houses in London. It is very difficult to find. It had existed a hundred and fifty years before the first customer found it. It is a dirty little hole, its management and its clientele having a great scorn of buckets. It has a waiter, a barmaid who is also directress, seven small tables, a stove, two pictures advertising champagne, an old print of Brigliton when Brighton was called Brighthelmstone, eighteen chairs, a sanded floor, and a cash register. The cash register had inaugurated the second youth of the Regalia. Rumors had travelled down Croker's Alley of the existence of innumerable palaces called Lyon's, Slater's, and A.B.C.'s, and it was vaguely understood that these resorts were competing with the Regalia. The Regalia replied with the last word of modernity, the cash register, an article not to be seen even in a Lyons palace. Nor did the Regalia stop there. It had always served tea, with a touch of whisky, in the afternoon, and it went on to home-made plum cake (which it bought wholesale from Lyons.) The day when the Regalia announced home made plum cake to its patrons was historic, and scarcely less historic was that other day when it inaugurated a first floor room for chess and draughts.

Late in the afternoon three days after the death of Carl Courlander, a Mercedes motor-car, showing marks of fast travel over country roads, penetrated gingerly into Croker's Alley, and turned round in the wider space at the end thereof. The car was dominated by the furs and the Jewish nose of Slade Beakbane, its sole occupant. He descended from his seat and entered the Regalia—entered it with a fine, genuine sense of importance and of ultimate triumph. Great and unique as Slade Beakbane was in the triangle, magnificent as were his accustomed appearances in other chop-houses and tea houses, the Regalia had hitherto, by an unwritten rule, been forbidden to him. For Carl Courlander himself had patronized the Regalia, and it is a law in the triangle that where the master eats and drinks, the servant shall not eat and drink, not even though the servant be confidential clerk, be in reality the manager, the soul, of the ineffable house of Courlander. Beakbane had in his time ruffled it with the best at Claridge's, the Ritz, the Troc, the Crl, Verry's, the Continental, but he had never dared to go into the Regalia save when escorted thither by Carl in person for a business chat over a cup of tea.

Slade Beakbane glanced about him, first at the barmaid, then at the waiter, then at the three customers, who were sparsely dotted about the sanded floor, and without a word, but not without that self-consciousness which few men can avoid when they are performing an ace before witnesses for the first time, he passed magnificently and mysteriously upstairs to the chess and draughts room, leaving behind him a most visible impression on the faces of the barmaid and the waiter, who knew him. Of the three customers, two had not looked up, and the third was not acquainted with the features of Slade Beakbane.

The waiter lifted his eyebrows to the barmaid, and then went half way up the stairs to take Beakbane's order. He never went more than half way up the stairs to take orders. Orders were discharged at his head as it came to a standstill at the level of the floor of the chess and draughts room. Then he descended, crossed to the bar, and whispered to the barmaid:

"One tea. One toast, thin, and well browned."

And the barmaid seized her speaking tube and said into it:

"Tea one. Toast one."

The Regalia did not accept outside suggestions concerning its toast.

"The inquest must be over then, and 'e's come up," the waiter hissed discreetly to the barmaid.

"Yes," the barmaid returned, arranging her rings. "Has he left anyone in that there car?"

The waiter strode to the door, looked out, and withdrew his head.

"No," he said.

The three customers had caught every word of the whispering. It was impossible that they should not do so. And they all three gazed with excessive interest at the barmaid. She supported their stares with a superior and brazen calm, as if to say: "Yes. Wouldn't you like to know who's upstairs! But you just won't."

They all knew with certaintp, however, that it was the Courlander affair of which the waiter had spoken. No one, during those exciting days, who used the word inquest, could possibly be referring to anything but the inquest on Carl Courlander. Hence they all guessed that it was some person of high importance in the Courlander affair who had brushed by them and vanished upstairs. And that unseen figure sitting upstairs seemed at once to brood like an obsession over the lower room. For not merely the triangle, but the whole western world, and even the cabinet of Tokio, was intensely absorbed in the Courlander affair; the political machinery of three continents stood still amid the thick vapors of the Courlander affair, waiting for the mist to clear. And lo! one of the chief actors in it had secreted himself in the chess and draughts room of the Regalia!

"Strange there isn't no specials!" commented the barmaid in her penetrating whisper.

At the same moment could be heard, in the far distance of Lombard street, the hoarse, violent shouting of a newspaper boy. And the muscles of every individual in the Regalia involuntarily tightened as the sound, fateful and terrifying, came nearer, and imprisoned within the walls of the alley, gradually grew comprehensible.

"Courlander Inquest. Verdict, Courlander Inquest. Verdict. Evening Record. Courlander Inquest. Verdict."

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The waiter rushed to the door.

"Get me a paper, waiter."

"And me one too."

"And me."

The newsboy, with the burning red and yellow of the Record's contents-bill, stood for a second in the open doorway of the Regalia, and then was off again.

"Courlander Inquest. Verdict. Courlander Inquest. Verdict. Evening Record."

The sound faded into a vague, meaningless cry. The being in the chess and draughts room had given no further sign of life.

The waiter distributed three copies of the paper, and turned to the barmaid as he unfolded the fourth.

"Read it," whispered the barmaid.

"The proceedings were opened by the Bedfordshire coroner at ten o'clock," the waiter hissed. "There was no accommodation for the public, and very little for the press, and——'"

"All that was in the earlier edition, all up to Lady Mary's evidence," the barmaid interrupted him impatiently.

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DINSDALE & MALCOLM,

Builders and Contractors.

DINSDALE, 3020 Quadra St. MALCOLM, 52 Hillside Ave.

NOTICE—ROCK BLASTED.

Wells, cellars, foundations, etc. No place too difficult. Rock for sale. Terms reasonable. J. R. Williams, 403 Michigan street. Phone A1343.

PACIFIC BUILDING & CONTRACTING CO., LTD.—Office, Room 23, Five Sisters' Block. Estimates furnished. Phone 1664.

Chimney Sweeping

LLOYD & CO., practical chimney sweepers and house-cleaners, 716 Pandora St.; grates firebricked, flues altered, vacant houses cleaned ready for occupation. Phone 1577.

CHIMNEYS CLEANED—Defective flues fixed, etc. Wm. Neal, 32 Quadra street. Phone 1019.

Chinese Goods and Labor

PORCELAIN, brassware, silks and curios, extensive assortment. All kinds of Chinese labor supplied. Tim Kee, 1602 Government street.

Cleaning and Tailoring Works

LADIES' AND GENTS' clothes cleaned, dyed, repaired and pressed; umbrellas also repaired and re-covered. Guy W. Walker, 718 Johnson St., just east of Douglas. Phone A1267.

Cuts

LETTER HEADS, BILL HEADS, bird's-eye views, and all classes of engravings for newspaper or catalogue work, at the B. C. Engraving Co., Times Building, Victoria.

Dyeing and Cleaning

B. C. STEAM DYE WORKS—The largest dyeing and cleaning works in the province. Country orders solicited. Tel. 200. J. C. Renfrew, proprietor.

VICTORIA STEAM DYE WORKS—116 Yates street. Tel. 717. All descriptions of ladies' and gentlemen's garments cleaned or dyed and pressed equal to new.

PAUL'S DYEING AND CLEANING WORKS, 120 Fort street. Tel. 624.

Employment Agencies

THE EMPLOYMENT AGENCY.
MRS. P. K. TURNER,
658 (54) Fort St. Hours, 10 to 5. Phone 1552.

WING ON—Chinese Employment and Labor Contractor. All kinds of Chinese help furnished; washing and ironing, wood cutting, land clearing, house work, cooks, farm hands, gardening, scavengering; also Chinese interpreters and translators. 1709 Government St. Phone 23.

JAPANESE, HINDU AND CHINESE EMPLOYMENT OFFICE—All kinds of labor supplied at short notice, general contractor. 1601 Government St. Tel. 1630.

ALL KINDS of Chinese labor supplied. Yin Thom, 1630 Government street. Phone A1749.

Engravers

GENERAL ENGRAVER, Stencil Cutter and Seal Engraver. Geo. Crowther, 816 Wharf street, behind Post Office.

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FRED. FOSTER, Taxidermist and Furrier, 42½ Johnson street.

MRS. E. R. ROBERTS—Manufacturing and repairing furs. Room 50, Five Sisters' Block. Phone 1766.

LIQUOR LICENSE ACT, 1900.

Notice is hereby given that, thirty days after date, I intend to apply to the Superintendent of Provincial Police for a renewal of license to sell intoxicating liquors on the premises known as the Colwood Hotel, situated at Colwood, B.C.
DANIEL CAM[illegible]
Colwood, B. C., 29th [illegible]

BUSINESS DIRECTORY.

Gravel

B. C. SAND & GRAVEL CO., foot Johnson street. Tel. 1388. Producers of washed and graded sand and gravel, best for concrete work of all kinds, delivered by team in the city, or on scows at pit, on Royal Bay.

Hardy Plants

GET OUR LISTS—Three of them, Bulbs, Roses and Hardy Plants. We handle only varieties suitable for this climate, and our lists tell you what you want to know. Flewin's Gardens, 866 Heywood avenue.

Horse-shoeing

HORSE-SHOEING—Work executed in first-class manner by most competent men. John McKay, successor to Wm. Hodge, 640 Johnson street, Victoria, B.C.

Lithographing

THE WESTERN LITHOGRAPH CO., 635 Yates street. Producers of fine stationary and artistic color work. Estimates and samples upon request.

Machinists

L. HAFER, General Machinist, No. 150 Government street. Tel. 930.

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WING FOOK YUEN, 21 or 527 Cormorant street. Clothes cleaned, pressed and repaired.

Metal Polish

GLOBE METAL POLISH cleans silver, copper and brass. For sale by The Shore Hardware Co., Ltd.

Moving Picture Machines

MOTION PICTURES—A new supply of first-class "Pathe" film and projecting lanterns for sale, at Maynard's Photo Stock House, 715 Pandora street.

Nursing Homes

MISS E. H. JONES, 731 Vancouver St.

Painter and Decorator

JAMES SCOTT ROSS, 916 Pandora Ave., expert paperhanger and decorator; rooms papered or painted cheap. Signs. Estimates. Write or telephone A1589.

Pawnshop

MONEY LOANED on diamonds, jewellery and personal effects. A. A. Aaronson, cor. Johnson and Broad.

Pottery Ware, Etc.

SEWER PIPE, Field Tile, Ground Fire Clay, Flower Pots, etc. B. C. Pottery Co., Ltd., corner Broad and Pandora strets, Victoria, B. C.

Scavenging

VICTORIA SCAVENGING CO.—Office, 710 Yates street. Phone 662. Ashes and garbage removed.

WING ON & SON—All kinds of scavenger work, yard cleaning, etc. Office, 1709 Government St. Phone 23.

Second-Hand Goods

WANTED—Old coats and vests, pants, boots and shoes, trunks, valises, shotguns, revolvers, overcoats, etc. Highest cash prices paid. Will call at any address. Jacob Aaronson's new and second-hand store, 572 Johnson street, four doors below Government St. Phone 1747.

WANTED—Scrap brass, copper, zinc, lead, cast iron, sacks, and all kinds of bottles and rubber; highest cash prices paid. Victoria Junk Agency, 1620 Store street. Phono 1336.

Signs

UP-TO-DATE SIGN and glass painting all kinds. Bulletins, Show Cards, Window Tickets. Victoria Sign Works, 721 Pandora. Phone A176.

Stoves

STOVES, RANGES AND HEATERS of all kinds bought and sold. N. R. Foxgord, 1607 Douglas St. Phone A1482.

Teaming

TRIMBLE & SON, general teaming, ploughing and excavating. 17 Putman street. Phone A1489.

Truck and Dray

TRUCKING—Quick service, reasonable charges. I. Walsh & Sons, Baker's Feed Store, 540 Yates street.

VICTORIA TRUCK AND DRAY CO.—Telephone 13. Stable Phone 23.

Watch Repairing

A. PETCH, 99 Douglas street. Specialty of English watch repairing. All kinds of clocks and watches repaired.

The Thorold
1407 GOVERNMENT ST.
A QUIET HOUSE
Warm single rooms with clean, comfortable beds.
25c. per Night. $1.50 per Week.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that we intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the City of Victoria, at its next session, for a transfer of the license to sell intoxicating liquors on the premises situated on Store street, in the City of Victoria, known as the Telegraph Hotel, from James Dupen to Walter Poole, of the city aforesaid.
Dated this 24th day of November, 1908, at Victoria, B. C.
JAMES DUPEN,
GEO. MORPHY,
Applicants.

Business Chances.

A BETTER OPPORTUNITY for investment than has been offered recently is at present open. A manufacturing and industrial business in Vancouver that paid 40 per cent. cash dividend last year is expanding and placing shares on the market at par. Will bear the closest investigation, and is too good to be missed by those looking for a sound and highly profitable investment. For full particulars address Box 245, Times.

Houses to Rent

TO LET—5 room cottage. 749 Market St.

TO LET—Furnished bedroom, with use of bath and kitchen stove. 2101 Chambers street.

TO LET—5 roomed cottage on Dallas road. Apply to Mrs. M. R. Smith, 104 Dallas road.

TO LET—4 roomed house, 735 Market St., rent $10. Apply 749 Market St.

TO LET—Seven roomed cottage, on Stanley avenue, near Fort street; possession 12th November; rent $25. Heisterman & Co.

FURNISHED HOUSE FOR RENT. Apply 1121 Quadra street.

Houses for Sale

HOUSES, cottages, etc., built at lowest contract prices consistent with good workmanship and material; designs and estimates free. Box 525, Times Office.

NEW ONE AND A HALF STORY HOUSE, every modern convenience, five rooms, basement; will be ready for occupancy middle of December; Duchess street, near Fort street; $2,500; $600 cash. A. H. Sherwood, 635 Fort street.

FOUR BEAUTIFUL, up-to-date houses, good location, to be sold at a great sacrifice; also two up-to-date automobiles. Any party going into business might be able to make a deal by paying some cash and the rest in real estate, either ranch or house property. One of the autos seats five and the other seven comfortably. Box 462, Times Office.

FOR SALE—New 5 room bungalow, neat design, concrete block foundation, full size basement, well finished throughout, with all modern improvements, and two lots, fruit trees and small fruits. For particulars apply 1433 Grant street.

CHOICE LITTLE PROPERTY near Victoria, fine situation, beautiful surrounding views, splendidly timbered, extra well fenced and laid out; fruit trees and ornamental shrubs; stylish new house, well furnished; and with new barn, dairy, fowl house and woodshed. The whole, including furniture, stock and complete set of implements, horse, cow, buggy, waggon, etc., $1,600 per acre; terms. Address "B. C.," Times Office.

SPECIAL—One of the best finished 9 roomed modern houses in the city, with 2 or more lots. C. H. Revercomb, 618 Trounce Ave.

2 HOUSES AND 1 COTTAGE, Burdette avenue. Houses, $2,100 each; cottage, $1,800; very easy terms. Hodgson, Empire Realty Co., 612 Yates street.

FOR RENT OR SALE—House and one acre, stables and chicken houses, at Mt. Tolmie. 525 William street, Victoria.

Help Wanted—Male

BOY WANTED to learn the jewellery business. W. H. Wilkerson, the jeweller, 915 Government street.

WANTED—At once, strong boy, for painting, etc. Apply 441 Kingston St.

STOCK SALESMAN WANTED—Salary and commission. Maysmith & Co., Mahon Bldg.

RESPECTABLE BOY WANTED for Empress Hotel billiard saloon. Apply at saloon.

WANTED—Messengers, with wheels. Apply Hasty Messenger Co., 1212 Langley street.

Miscellaneous Goods for Sale

FOR SALE—Launch engine (steam), 2-cylinder, 5½x6 in. stroke, in best condition, too large for owner; to be sold cheap. C. J. Brown, Hereward road, Victoria W.

FOR SALE—Spring wagon and buggy tops. Apply McGregor's Blacksmith Shop, Johnson street.

STOCK INVESTORS send for prospectus of Prince Rupert Securities, Vancouver Briquette Coal and Pingree Mines. Maysmith & Co., Mahon Bldg.

FOR SALE—Ancient brass and pewter kettles, gramophones from $5 up, oak hall seat, cheap; also oak hall mirror and other furnishings at big bargains; at the Old Curiosity Shop, cor. Fort and Blanchard streets.

FOR SALE—2 heifers in calf, and one ton hay. 2753 Cedar Hill road.

A FEW SNAPS in English and Canadian bicycles to make room. Central Cycle Depot, successors to Bicycle Depot, Plimley Auto Co., Ltd., 1110 Government street.

POWERFUL MAGIC LANTERN and slides for sale at a bargain. W. M. Ritchie, 1110 Government street.

FOR SALE—A fur coat and a gun. Apply Smith, Beaumont P. O.

MILLWOOD and bark slabs, $3 double load; cordwood, 1st quality, $5.50. Hull, phone 1124.

FOR SALE—Horse, young, sound and thoroughly quiet. Apply Thorpe & Co., Ltd.

BICYCLE CAPES, all sizes, at Harris & Smith's, 1220 Broad street.

ENGLISH WHEELS at great bargains, in order to make room for 1909 stock, now is your chance; also bargains in guns and ammunition. At Harris & Smith's.

FOR SALE—Incubator and brooder. Apply 1138 Johnson street.

FOR SALE—Violin, $5; razor hones, 50c.; pocket compass, 50c.; silk watch fobs, 50c.; ivory 2 ft. rule, $4.50; diamond glass cutter, $4.50; aluminum pocket combs, 15c.; folding pocket scissors, 35c. Jacob Aaronson's new and second-hand store, 56 Johnson street, 4 doors below Government. Phone 1747.

FOR SALE—One second-hand Houston tenoner, one Smith mortiser, one shaper, one ten-inch sticker, one small dynamo, one small engine; also 6 heavy horses. Apply Taylor Mill Company, 2116 Government St., or P. O. Box 628.

WANTED—Anything second-hand. For sale, heaters, go-carts, gun (Parker Bros.' hammerless), 12-bore, $22; coaster bikes, $10 up; large canvas; carpenter and machinists' tools, cheap, at X L Second-Hand Store, opp. Pantages Theatre, in alley.

FOR SALE—A few new buggies, latest style, second-hand buggies, wagons and carts, two good fresh calved cows; also all kinds of horses. Apply at I. J. J. Fisher's Carriage Shop, 642 Discovery street.

Buy the Times

Lots for Sale

FOR SALE—Lots, very cheap, on Foul Bay road, Leighton, Amphion, Hulton. Single lots from $225; double lots, $425; one-third cash, balance six, twelve, eighteen months. E. C. B. Bagshawe, 613 Fort street.

FOR SALE—Fine lots on Cook street; splendid soil, only $300; easy terms. C. H. Revercomb.

FOR SALE—Several acres at Shoal Bay, which we can sell at a bargain. Empire Realty Co., 612 Yates street.

FOR SALE—Four lots on Hillside avenue. Apply 929 Johnson street, or telephone 1098. Mrs. E. Coones.

FOR SALE—2 good lots, together, in vicinity of C. P. R. wharf; ideal site for hotel or apartment house; $2,500 each; easy terms. Yates & Jay, solicitors for owner, 546 Bastion street, Victoria.

GOOD BUILDING LOT—Prospect road, close to Fort street and car line, good black soil, for quick sale $350; 3 acres, rich black loam, cleared and fenced, good for nursery, $3,500, liberal terms, 1 mile from City Hall. E. White, 636 Fort street.

Miscellaneous

A POSTAL BRINGS complete information of the Pingree Mines, Limited. The best mining investment in B. C. to-day. Stock will advance rapidly. Present price, 15c. per share. Maysmith & Co., Mahon Bldg.

A SOCIAL DANCE will be held in Colwood Hall, Wednesday, Dec. 9th, 1908; good music. Gents, $1; ladies, free.

HACKS' PHONE 875. Victoria Hack Stand, cor. Yates and Government Sts.

EVERY SUFFERER FROM RHEUMATISM can be cured by wearing a Lion Anti-Rheumatic Ring. For sale by Redfern, Government street.

FOR FRESH CIGARS and tobaccos, and all the latest news, see Joe McDowell, King's Head Cigar and News Stand, next to Pantages.

WANTED—From 3 to 5 acres improved land with buildings, near city. Box 692.

MISS GALLICHAN, Dressmaker, 1412 Quadra street.

WHO, WHY, WHEN, WHERE, to make profitable mining investments, by the late Cecil Rhodes. Most interesting report free. Engineer, 708 Ouray, Washington, D. C.

MISS WILSON, Dressmaker, has removed her workrooms from the Promis Block to her home on Oak Bay avenue, 3rd house past Foul Bay road. Phone B166.

NOTICE—For the next six weeks I, the undersigned, will sell cordwood in four-foot lengths and take sawing machine to cut it in yards, alleyways and vacant lots, in lots of 4 cords and upwards. Try the old way and see what you are getting. J. E. Grice, 2022 Douglas street, Victoria, B. C. Phone 149.

HANBURY'S BAKERY is the place to buy high quality goods.

TO LET—Offices in Bank of Montreal Chambers. Apply Bank of Montreal.

FOR SALE—South Wellington coal, the best coal mined—less ashes, less soot, more heat. Order your next ton from the Victoria Fuel Co., tel. 1377, McPherson & Fullerton Bros., 618 Trounce ave., Victoria, B. C.

HAVE YOU TRIED Hanbury's "Mother's Bread?"

THE LATEST sheet metal electric signs. J. Market, maker, Victoria, B. C.

Property for Sale

FOR SALE—Ranch, 98 acres of the best land on Vancouver Island, 20 acres cleared, small house; good barn, 2 creeks (never dry) run through property, a section from salt water, 31 miles from Victoria; bargain at $6,000. Flint & Co.

FOR SALE—Chicken ranch, 8½ acres, the best in British Columbia for fruit and chickens, high and dry, all fenced in, with a new five roomed house, only 3½ miles from City Hall; property is beautifully located, with plenty of fuel; will take $2,100 on your own terms. Apply Mrs. J. Sorensen, 1214 Government St., Room 8.

TIMBER—Before buying or selling timber in B. C. call and see my list, comprising more than 100 of the best properties, aggregating a total cut of twenty-five billion (25,000,000,000) feet. A. T. Frampton, Mahon Bldg., Victoria. Phone 1663.

FOR SALE—Gordon Head road, seven acres cleared land for $320 per acre; must be sold. Lee & Fraser, 11 Trounce avenue.

FOR SALE—160-acre farm on Galiano Island, 2½ miles from new government wharf, 75 acres of good land, 10 to 15 acres cleared, 25 acres slashed, 2 roomed shack, plenty of good spring water, a few fruit trees, a portion of land fenced, a good road to property, $700 has been laid out by former owner in clearing and fencing, coal right goes with the land, two companies own coal rights in the vicinity, plenty of good timber; $2,300 cash, $2,500, $1,500 down, balance to arrange. Apply 733 Broughton street.

FOR SALE—10 acres, house, out buildings, fruit trees, plenty of water. T. Morley, Swan Lake.

FOR SALE—Eighteen acres good fruit land, eight miles from Victoria; all kinds buggies, wagons and carts, horses and harness; also yoke young oxen, well broken, and twenty-five young pigs. I. J. J. Fisher, Carriage Shop, Discovery street.

Rooms and Board

TO LET—Two or three unfurnished rooms in modern house, James Bay. Box 542, Times Office.

COMFORTABLY furnished rooms, $6 and $8. 716 Market street.

TO RENT—Two unfurnished rooms, central. 227 Quebec street.

TO RENT—Furnished room, for one or two gentlemen; reasonable; close in. 749 Fisguard street.

TO RENT—Nicely furnished rooms. 949 Fort street. Phone B1243.

FURNISHED ROOMS from $6 a month; rooms and board, $5 a week. 731 Fisguard street, city.

TO LET—Furnished rooms, single or double, electric lights in every room. Apply 716 Yates street.

"THE HOLLIES"—Board and room. 756 Courtney. Phone A1616.

NEWLY FURNISHED ROOMS TO LET—5 minutes from P.O., $7 per month. 824 Fort street.

ROOM AND BOARD for 4 or 5 persons, home comforts. Apply Box 67, Times Office.

FURNISHED ROOMS from $6 a month; rooms and board, $5.50 a week. 731 Fisguard street, city.

TO RENT—Two partly furnished cottages. Apply P. O. Box 23, Victoria, B.C.

TO LET—Comfortably furnished rooms, with or without board. 725 Vancouver street.

TO LET—2 unfurnished rooms. 437 Government street.

PRINCE RUPERT HOUSE, Bastion Square. Furnished housekeeping and single rooms.

J. GREENWOOD
REAL ESTATE AND TIMBER
Above Northern Bank. Tel. A352

CANADIAN NORTHWEST OIL.
1,000 SHARES AT 45c. for quick sale.

GOOD HOUSE on King's road, easy terms $2,000

FOUR SPLENDID LOTS,
One block from May street car line. These lots stand high, grassy, with good soil, 200 feet frontage. A snap, some cash wanted; $500 cash, and balance can be paid inside one year. Price $1,500

ALBERNI.
5 good level lots in Township One; will sell the five for $150

THE GRIFFITH CO.
ROOM 11, MAHON BUILDING.
REAL ESTATE, TIMBER, INSURANCE.

LOTS—Two lots on Bank street, for a few days at $1,160; $400 cash and balance to arrange. Good lots and near the car line. Two lots, at corner of Blackwood and Montrose, for $700; large and sightly.

FRUIT RANCH—Another fruit ranch gone and another wanted by a cash buyer. If you have the right thing we can place it.

TIMBER—We have put 100,000 acres of Vancouver Island timber under option in the last 30 days, and have clients in sight for more. If yours is placed right and priced right we can find a market.

Housekeeping Rooms

TO LET—Three furnished housekeeping rooms. 1211 Quadra street, five minutes from Post Office.

TO LET—Hotel Canada, 1313 Broad St. Furnished housekeeping and furnished rooms. Phone 1654.

Lost and Found

STRAYED—To premises, 542 Garbally road, pig. Owner can have same by paying expenses.

LOST, STRAYED OR STOLEN—A Clumber spaniel, white with yellow markings, from 1648 Rockland Ave. A reward will be given for the return of the same, but anyone harboring the dog after this notice will be prosecuted.

LOST—Purse containing sum of money, between cor. Government and Johnson and Princess Ave., via Douglas street. Reward. Apply this office.

Situations Wanted—Female

LADY WISHES POSITION as chambermaid in hotel or boarding house. Apply Box 408, Times Office.

Wanted—Miscellaneous

WANTED—Use of small saddle horse for winter months for his keep, or will buy. Address "W.," Times Office.

Teacher Wanted

WANTED—A male teacher, with first-class certificate, for the staff of the Victoria schools; salary $80 a month; duties to commence on January 4th, 1909. Apply to City Superintendent.

WANTED—Immediately, man and wife to take charge of a small farm, either on shares or with an option of purchase, close to town. Address H. W., No. 1, Times.

SMALL FARM WANTED—3 to 10 acres, improved, fruit and buildings, close to town. Send complete information, price, etc., Box 348, Times.

CLEAN cotton rags wanted at Times Office.

WOULD LIKE TO HEAR from owner having good paying business for sale. Not particular about location; please give price, reason for selling, and state when possession can be had. L. Darbyshire, Box 1821, Rochester, N. Y.

WANTED—A few young chickens or pullets, must be cheap (common kind only); state lowest price. Box 551, Times.

Notice is hereby given that on the 9th day of December, 1908, I shall apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners for Victoria City for a transfer of the license to sell liquor by retail at the premises known as the St. George's Inn, on the Esquimalt road, Victoria, B. C., from the late Thos. Griffiths to the undersigned, Alice Griffiths.
Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 9th day of November, 1908.
ALICE GRIFFITHS.

RAFFLE

To be raffled, a beautiful hand-embroidered silk panel (landscape), value $50. Can be seen at Tim Kee's fancy goods store, 1602 Government Street, corner Cormorant; 100 tickets at 50 cents. Date of drawing to be announced when tickets are sold.
TIM KEE.

TENDERS

Tenders for the supply of school requisites for the coming school year will be received up to December 8th by the Secretary of the School Board, at whose office specifications may be obtained. The Board do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any tender.
ISABELLA MOORE,
Secretary.

NOTICE

I hereby give notice that, at the next sitting of the Licensing Board for the District of North Saanich, I intend to apply for a transfer of the license held by me for the premises known as the Sidney Hotel to S. J. Martineau.
WM. JENSEN.
Dated this 12th day of November, 1908.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that, thirty days after date, I intend to apply to the Superintendent of Provincial Police for a renewal of license to sell intoxicating liquor on the premises known as the Mayne Island Hotel, situated at Mayne, B. C.
C. J. McDONALD.
Mayne, B. C., 21st November, 1908.

A. COLQUHOUN HOLMES
REAL ESTATE. INSURANCE.
575 YATES ST., VICTORIA, B. C.

FOR SALE—SEVERAL HOUSES, well located, $1,500 to $1,600, $200 cash, balance $15 per month.

PREVENT LOSS by insuring with the GENERAL ACCIDENT FIRE AND LIFE ASSURANCE CORPORATION.

SWINERTON & ODDY
1206 GOVERNMENT STREET.

FOR SALE.

1 ACRE on Pine street, near Cloverdale avenue, only $850, would sub-divide into 5 good lots; lots ¼ mile further out selling at $250

2 ACRES on Alder and Maple streets for $850 per acre, would make ten good lots.

2½ ACRES, all cleared, good soil, on Glasgow street, per acre $850

7.07 ACRES, 5½ acres cleared, 6 miles out, 10 minutes' walk from V. & S. Ry., near main road, only $1,300

6.23 ACRES, nearly all cleared, adjoining above, only $1,200

2 SPLENDID LOTS on Third street, in Finlayson Estate, each 50x140, with lane at rear, cement sidewalk and boulevard, each $1,000

The owner has instructed us to sell the above as soon as possible and has made the prices reasonably low to effect an immediate sale.

J. STUART YATES
22 BASTION STREET, VICTORIA.

FOR SALE.

80 ACRES—Sooke District, just inside Sooke Harbor.

FINE SEA FRONTAGE—At Esquimalt, about three acres, cheap.

TWO LOTS—On Victoria harbor, with large wharf and sheds and 2 large warehouses, in good condition, on easy terms.

THREE LOTS—On Yates street, with 10 stores, bringing in good rentals.

TO RENT—Large wharf, at foot of Yates street, rent $120 per month.

8½ ACRES—On Colquitz river, Victoria District, cheap.

For further particulars apply to above address.

BRITISH COLUMBIA LAND & INVESTMENT AGENCY, LIMITED.
40 GOVERNMENT STREET.

$2,650.
GOOD FIVE-ROOMED COTTAGE
And Three Large Lots. Exceedingly Cheap at This Price. Terms.

$3,150.
10-ROOMED HOUSE
And Corner Lot, Very Close in; House Modern Every Respect; Stable.

$4,500.
9-ROOMED MODERN HOUSE
And Lot 76x136; in Good Location; Close to Sea and Carline; Terms, $500 Cash; Balance Can Be Arranged.

$2,750.
7-ROOMED MODERN HOUSE,
In Good Location, and Only a Few Minutes Walk from Centre of City; Terms, $250 Cash; Balance Monthly Instalments.

LOTS AND ACREAGE
In Fairfield Estate and Close to New Carline; Can Have Sewer; View of Sea, Etc.

LOTS AND ACREAGE
In Yates Estate; between Gorge and Burnside Roads; Close to Carline and Gorge and City Parks; Lots from $100 Up; One-third Cash; Excellent Building Sites.

LEE & FRASER
9 AND 11 TROUNCE AVENUE.

GORDON HEAD ROAD—7 acres of cleared land for $320 per acre, easy terms.

NORTH PARK STREET—6 roomed cottage and large grounds. Inquire at office for terms and price.

LOTS FOR SALE—On Ladysmith, Blackwood and Prior streets, on very easy terms.

CORDOVA BAY—Fine acreage on water front, $150 per acre.

Lodges

COLUMBIA LODGE, No. 2, I. O. O. F., meets every Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock in Odd Fellows' Hall, Douglas street. R. W. Fawcett, Rec. Sec., 237 Government street.

COURT CARIBOO, NO. 743, I.O.F.—Meets on second Tuesday and fourth Monday of each month in K. of P. Hall, corner Pandora and Douglas streets. Visiting Foresters welcomed. F. Sec., E. Parsons, Lee & Fraser, Trounce ave.; J. W. H. King, R. Sec., 1361 Pandora street.

COMPANION COURT FAR WEST, I. O. F., No. 279, meets first and third Mondays each month in K. of P. Hall, corner Douglas and Pandora streets. Isabelle Moore, Financial Secretary, 541 Hillside Ave., city.

K. OF P.—No. 1, Far West Lodge, Friday, K. of P. Hall, cor. Douglas and Pandora Sts. H. Weber, K. of R. & S. Box 544.

VICTORIA, NO. 17, K. of P., meets at K. of P. Hall every Thursday. D. S. Mowat, K. of R. & S. Box 164.

A. O. F., COURT NORTHERN LIGHT, No. 5935, meets at K. of P. Hall 2nd and 4th Wednesdays. W. F. Fullerton, Secy.

VICTORIA LODGE, No. 1, A. O. U. W., meets every second and fourth Wednesday in month at A. O. U. W. Hall. Members of Order visiting the city cordially invited to attend. R. Dunn, recorder.

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Established 1890.
620 FORT STREET
VICTORIA, B. C.

FOR SALE.
For a short time only, LOTS 37 and 38, Bank street, 60x120 each; on terms. Price, each $250

TO LET.
1536 BELCHER STREET, an 8-room dwelling, after 31st December. Rent, per month $15

FOR SALE.
To close up an estate, SIX-ROOM DWELLING on Oak Bay avenue; large lot, nice shrubbery; easy terms. Price $2,600

TO LET.
7 ROOM NEW MODERN BUNGALOW, 123 Government Street. Rent $30.

TO LET.
7 ROOM MODERN BUNGALOW, Grant Street. Vacant 7th December. Rent $22.50

GORDON HEAD.
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SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH-WEST LAND REGULATIONS.

Any person who is the sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years old, may homestead a quarter section (160 acres, more or less) of available Dominion land in Manitoba, Saskatchewan or Alberta. The applicant must appear in person at the Dominion Lands Agency or Sub-Agency for the district. Entry by proxy may be made at any agency, on certain conditions, by father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister of intending homesteader.

DUTIES.—Six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each of three years. A homesteader may live within nine miles of his homestead on a farm of at least 80 acres solely owned and occupied by him or by his father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister.

In certain districts a homesteader in good standing may pre-empt a quarter section alongside his homestead. Price $3.00 per acre. Duties.—Must reside six months in each of six years from date of homestead entry (including the time required to earn homestead patent) and cultivate fifty acres extra.

A homesteader who has exhausted his homestead right and cannot obtain a pre-emption may take a purchased homestead in certain districts. Price $3.00 per acre. Purchased homesteads may be acquired on any available lands on either odd or even numbered Sections south of Township 45, east of the Calgary and Edmonton Railway and the west line of Range 26, and west of the third Meridian and the Sault Railway line. Duties.—Must reside six months in each of three years, cultivate fifty acres and erect a house worth $300.

SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH-WEST MINING REGULATIONS.

COAL.—Coal mining rights may be leased for twenty-one years at an annual rental of $1.00 an acre. Not more than 2,560 acres can be leased to one applicant. Royalty, five cents per ton.

QUARTZ.—A person eighteen years of age and over having made a discovery may locate a claim 1,500 feet by 1,500 feet. Fee, $5.00. At least $100 must be expended on the claim each year, or paid to the Mining Recorder. When $500 has been expended or paid and other requirements complied with the claim may be purchased at $1.00 an acre.

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DREDGING.—Two leases of five miles each of a river may be issued to one applicant for a term of 20 years. Rental, $10 a mile per annum. Royalty, 2½ per cent. after the output exceeds $10,000.

W. W. CORY,
Deputy of the Minister of the Interior.

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TENDERS FOR TRACK TIES

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Specifications may be obtained at Division Engineer's office, Victoria, Agent at Wellington, and at Engineer's Camps between Wellington and Parksville. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted, and in comparison of tenders preference will be given to those delivered nearest to where required for use.

C. E. CARTWRIGHT,
Chief Engineer.

C. P. Ry. Division Engineer's Office, Vancouver, B. C., December 2nd, 1908.

MUNICIPALITY OF THE DISTRICT OF OAK BAY.
VOTERS' LIST.
NOTICE TO HOUSEHOLDERS.

Take notice that all persons, not the owners of lands or improvements, who:
1. Are British subjects of the full age of twenty-one years;
2. Have resided within the Municipality since the first day of January last;
3. Have paid all rates, taxes or assessments, which are not chargeable on land, and which amount to not less than two dollars for the current year, other than water rates or taxes or license fees for dogs;
And who desire to have their names placed on the voters' list, shall make out and cause to be delivered to the Clerk of the Municipality a statutory declaration on or before the first day of December next.

J. S. FLOYD, Clerk.
Victoria, B. C., 5th November, 1908.

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JACOB'S		HUNTLEY & PALMER'S	
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FANCY MIXED, package	20c	ARROWROOT, per package	15c

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VICUNA RUSKS, per lb.	50c	ALPINE WAFERS, per lb.	40c
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DEMANDS INVESTIGATION OF PANAMA CANAL SCANDAL

(Continued from page 1.)

"And yet Mr. Roosevelt says that the United States government has not the slightest knowledge as to the distribution of $40,000,000 and that this was the business of the French government.

"As to Mr. Roosevelt's statement, that there was no syndicate, he could have read the syndicate subscription agreement on page 1150, vol. II., of the testimony before the commission on Inter-Oceanic canals, if he had cared for the truth.

"That the United States government was not dealing with the French government or the liquidator appointed by the French government, or with Columbia, or with Panama, or with anyone else, except W. N. Cromwell and his associates, is made still more plain by the description of Senor J. Gabriel Duque as to the Panama revolution and as to the manner in which Mr. Cromwell got $10,000,000 additional from the United States treasury.

"Senor Duque—Mr. Cromwell made the revolution. He offered to make me president of the new republic and to see me through if I would raise a small force of men and declare a secession from Colombia. He made promises that he should have the help of his government. It was accompanied by a liberal use of money. We bought this general and that one, paying $3,000 to $4,000 per general. The Colombian officers were all paid off, and the Colombian general who was sent to stop the revolution, was also bought off.

"Then Mr. Cromwell having been elected by the Panama republic as general counsel and he and J. Pierpont Morgan having been appointed a fiscal commission, negotiated with President Roosevelt, by which the United States paid $10,000,000 more to the fiscal commission for Mr. Cromwell's Panama republic. Of this money three-quarters is still under the control of the fiscal commission.'

"Why did the United States pay $40,000,000 for a bankrupt property whose control could undoubtedly have been bought in the open market for less than $4,000,000?

"Who were the Pan-American Canal Company? Who bought up the obligations of the old Panama Canal Company for a few cents on the dollar?

"Among whom was the dividend divided when the $15,000,000 was paid to the new Panama Canal Company?

"Whether Dougal Robinson, who is Mr. Roosevelt's brother-in-law, or any of Mr. Taft's brothers associated themselves with Mr. Cromwell in the Pan American exploitation and shared in these profits, is incidental to the main issue of letting in the light.

"Whether they did or did not, whether all the profits went into Mr. Cromwell's hands, or whatever became of them, the fact that Theodore Roosevelt, as president of the United States, issues a public statement about such an important matter full of flagrant untruths, reeking with misstatements, challenging line by line the testimony of his associate, Cromwell, and the official record, makes it imperative that full publicity come at once through the authority and by action of congress.'

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Bay Pony, about 13½ hands, 9 years old, quiet to ride and drive; Pony Cart and Harness; good Cow, Grade Shorthorn, 5 years old; 3 Cypher's Incubators and Brooders (nearly new); large Oak Over-Mantel, fit for a bar room; Piano by Nordheimer; a quantity of Solid Silver Ware, Lucknow and Burmese work, and other goods too numerous to mention.

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INFLICTED A FINE.

Harry Lalune Found Guilty of Interfering With a Police Officer.

Harry Lalune was this morning fined $25 for assaulting Constable Ireland while the latter, although in plain clothes, was in the discharge of his duty. There had been a fight near the corner of Government street and Pandora avenue shortly after midnight on Wednesday last, and the constable happened to be passing on his way home while the crowd was still in a state of commotion. An injunction to Lalune to move on was met by his clinching with the constable, who joined the force in March last.

The evidence was heard on Saturday but in consequence of a statement under oath by Lalune that he "would not want to have the jag the constable had," the case was adjourned until today for the production of evidence as to the constable's condition.

Before closing the case for the defence, J. A. Aikman produced a couple more members of the crowd to corroborate Lalune's story that the constable did not show his badge before ordering him to move.

Fred Routledge, waiter, said he was alongside Lalune when the affair took place. He did not notice Constable Ireland show his badge or tell Lalune he was an officer. The whole thing took place so quickly he paid no particular attention.

James Foley, employed at the Provincial Athletic Club, swore that Ireland shoved Lalune off the sidewalk and that he did not show his badge until Lalune had him on the ground.

Sergeant Walker was in the police station when Lalune was brought in but was not on duty.

City Prosecutor Moore—Did Constable Ireland show any signs of having been drinking?

Sergeant Walker—He showed no signs whatever.

Mr. Aikman—Did he show any signs of being unduly excited?

Sergeant Walker—Yes. His clothes were all mud and he looked as if he had been handled pretty roughly.

Constables Harper and Duncan corroborated the evidence that Ireland showed no appearance of having been drinking, although he was excited.

Mr. Moore was about to call further evidence when Mr. Aikman said there was no question of the constable's sobriety. The accused simply said he thought the constable was drunk.

"I am not only satisfied that the constable was not drunk but that he was in no way under the influence of liquor," said Magistrate Jay.

Mr. Aikman submitted that no offence had been proved. His client had been acting the good Samaritan, when the constable came up and grabbed him instead of the fighters.

Mr. Moore pointed out variances in the evidence of the witnesses for the defence.

The magistrate stated that the constable had acted very properly in the matter, and there was no doubt of his having been assaulted. A fine of $25 would be imposed.

FORMALLY BOUND OVER.

Phil. R. Smith Recalled To-Day By Magistrate to Comply With Rules.

Phil. R. Smith, of the People's Press, was in the police court this morning for formal commitment of his case for trial by a higher court. When the case was up last week the formality of reading the statutory caution to him and of asking him if he had anything to say was overlooked, and he had to be called back to-day.

After the police magistrate had advised him in set terms that he had nothing to hope from promises or to fear from threats, Mr. Smith, who reserves his defence, stated that he had nothing to say at present.

J. A. Aikman, for Mayor Hall, pointed out that Mr. Smith might merely be bound over to appear instead of being committed for trial. There was no desire to put him to any undue trouble in the matter, but simply to obtain a judgment from a higher court as speedily as possible on the libel which, it was contended, was uttered by the publication of the cartoon in question.

Mr. Smith was accordingly bound over in his own personal bond for $1,000.

HOTEL ARRIVALS

DOMINION.

James Stewart, V. C. Young, J. H. Harrison, Seattle; E. W. Kahnert, St. Paul; A. Bellingham, Vancouver; J. Birch, New York; B. Gruno, E. Chandler, A. H. Bowden, D. A. Buchan, A. E. Sprange, A. H. Batterhar, Mrs. McMeekin, G. W. McLellan, A. McLellan, H. D. McLellan, H. W. Lees, E. F. Usher, J. F. Grum, D. A. Galbraith, Vancouver; E. J. Cody and wife, Kaslo; T. Hudson, Union Bay; C. F. Batson, Vancouver; E. Clark, Shirley; T. M. Lawrence, Seattle.

EMPRESS.

J. F. Webbe, Portland; L. E. Campbell, Rossland; H. Wright, Nelson; R. W. Jones, G. M. Moran, A. A. Young, Seattle; W. T. Miller, A. Blygh, G. E. McMillan, E. Francis, G. Horsman, G. H. Cowan, H. E. Beasley, A. E. Bull and wife, Mrs. C. H. Fox, Miss McKinney, Vancouver; A. S. Goodeve, Rossland; R. C. Stoddard, Hamilton; A. Hickey, St. Louis; B. M. Malun and wife, Toronto; J. M. Robinson and wife, Summerland; Mr. and Mrs. Grierson, Ottawa; F. A. Mitchell, Seattle.

DRIARD.

G. M. Carroll, Seattle; L. J. Lett, San Francisco; W. McCarthy, Prince Rupert; A. R. Fingland, C. J. Kay, Vancouver; M. C. Kendall, Kitsilas; T. J. Stephens, Vancouver; C. A. Harrison, Seattle; H. Martin, Vancouver; W. Davidson, Seattle; J. Campbell, Vancouver; H. G. Stein, R. D. Stock, Vancouver; W. Barnard, Toronto; A. J. Winstone, J. Biggs, Vancouver; P. H. Senior, Seattle; P. Davidson, Vancouver.

KING EDWARD.

B. G. Robson, Chehalis; J. C. Donovan, Sidney; F. J. Longworth, Greenwood; E. Priest, Nanaimo; F. Felix, Seattle; Chas. S. Thompson, Geo. P. Cathrea, Vancouver; A. Stafford, J. McDonald, Shoal Lake; C. E. Mahon, J. H. Steele, H. G. Wall, Vancouver; R. C. Crackenthorp, Jas. W. Rucker, Seattle; Lockhart Dodd, New York; L. Stone, Seattle; Dorrie Darmer, Miss Galloway, Johnston; E. Hillier, Mrs. E. Hillier, Toquart.

VICTORIA.

M. A. Gonzier, San Jose; G. Mercer, Frank Allerton, Seattle; M. J. Brennan, Spokane; Miss Nettleton, Chas. Bibeau, Seattle; Geo. Leach, Frank Shaw, Vancouver; P. Anderson, Mrs. Anderson, Sedro Woolly; W. Allan, H. A. Hill, Vancouver; J. Brethour, Sidney; J. King, Mrs. King, Chas. Williamson, Thos. McCauley, Vancouver; M. Dean, Saanich.

QUEEN'S.

O. Iverson, Seattle; Thomas H. Mahon, Virden, Man.; Bert. Walker, T. Towning, Grenfell; W. B. Mannon, T. Hart, Seattle; H. Cullen, Sam Gibbs, John Brown, H. Taylor, Vancouver; Thomas James, M. Marshall, Rossland; W. B. Drayner, Shawnigan; E. Gray, D. Cole, Colwood; F. W. Crouchin, S. R. Wilson, Esquimalt; E. J. Castle, Sidney.

TURN ABOUT IS FAIR PLAY.

The dimple in a girl's cheek is sure to make a dent in some young man's heart.

Secrets a woman can't tell worry her as much as the money she can't spend.

Snakes have no external ears, but "hear" by feeling vibration of sound on their delicate scaly covering.

WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Dec. 8.—5 a. m.—A storm area developed yesterday on the Vancouver Island and Washington coast, causing a strong easterly gale on the outside waters, with an hourly wind velocity of 56 miles at the mouth of the Columbia river. The high area over the Pacific states is moving southward in advance of the storm. Moderate to heavy rainfall has occurred throughout British Columbia, Oregon and Washington, and temperatures have risen. East of the Rockies a storm area is central in Saskatchewan, and snow has fallen in Manitoba.

Forecasts.

For 36 hours ending 5 p. m. Wednesday.

Victoria and vicinity—Northerly and easterly winds, unsettled, with rain.

Lower Mainland—Easterly winds, unsettled, with rain.

Reports.

Victoria—Barometer, 29.74; temperature, 45; minimum, 42; wind, 4 miles N. E.; rain, .51; weather, cloudy.

New Westminster—Barometer, 29.82; temperature, 38; minimum, 38; wind, 10 miles E.; rain, .56; weather, raining.

Kamloops—Barometer, 29.98; temperature, 30; minimum, 28; wind, 4 miles S.E.; snow, .02; weather, snowing.

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